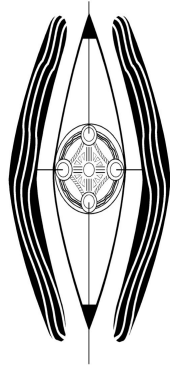
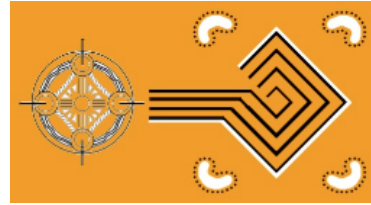


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The NSW Biodiversity legislation direct assault on Aboriginal culture, spirituality

Ghillar, Michael Anderson, Convenor of the Sovereign Union, last surviving member of the founding four of the Aboriginal Embassy and Head of State of the Euahlayi Peoples Republic said from Goodooga today that the new Biodiversity law is tantamount to a declaration of War against First Nations Peoples. These changes will seriously impact on our Laws, culture, religion and spirituality in the State of New South Wales.

The new law is deregulation in its worst form, farmers can now basically do on “their” land what they want, clearing, destroying ecosystem and shoot whatever moves.

Our sites, be it archaeological campsites, burial grounds or even sacred places have lost the little bit of protection they had, no we will not even be notified, if there is no Native Title claim over the area.

In our religion we do not go to churches, we go to places where the Creation occurred. These sites are physical proof of the Dreaming, when our supreme Creators Bhaimie and his wife Birringooloo along with his second wife Gunnumbielee, the Caterer created everything in Australia. The Laws that they established connect all Aboriginal Nations across this continent through a complex network of songlines. This is called the Goomerra in Euahlayi, Tjurrkupa and Tjurringa. We are all bound by these Laws. They belong to us and no farmer has the right to desecrate and destroy our cultural being and our places and spaces of our spiritual ceremonial observance.

We, Peoples of the First Nations in Australia are intrinsically linked to all things natural, including a spiritual link to our physical past after death (our burial grounds have to be untouched forever); all of which is part of the circle of life, which is now being put on the deathroll by these legislative changes. This is not their land, this is not their wildlife, the land belongs to us the Aboriginal Nations, every tree, every bush, every bird, every fish and every mammal has its place in our religion and beliefs, they are our totemic ancestors.

Already every year 300, 000 ha of bushland and forest are destroyed in Australia and in NSW around 1000 plant and animals species are under the threat of extinction.

Yet the government has the ridiculous idea of “re-wilding”, which is the intention of conducting programs to give farmers money to plant trees again, *after* they have failed to grow crops on the destroyed land. How far away from Mother Nature have you non-Aboriginal politicians moved? No, you cannot bring back what is lost, you cannot let a chopped off arm or leg grow back. The mainstream population already managed to wipe out the Bilbies in NSW, Bandicoots and Bettongs are more than rare; the Koala and the Brolga are on the edge of extinction, just to name a few. For the government to say that they want to set up refuges and reintroduce these species in like creating outdoor zoos without the properly natural diverse habitat.

These law changes violate every aspect of common sense, not to mention violating Australia's obligations to mitigating Climate Change; Australia's obligations under the Bio-diversity Convention; The Hague Convention; the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the list goes on.

What the New South Government shows is that it does not subscribe to these legal obligations just as they have done since colonisation. They act in a treasonous manner because they think they are a law unto themselves and are exempt from prosecution for 'Genocide' and 'Ecocide'. They ignore my Peoples need for spiritual and personal wellbeing. They ignore that what they are doing to our lands and waters is causing mental harm to our Peoples.

It certainly shows us how much out of touch with nature these people truly are. Clearly they live by their religious ‘credo’ that man has ‘Dominion’ over nature, a direct ideological conflict to that of First Nations Peoples.

White Australia tried to wipe us out. We became displaced Peoples under a military junta. They took our children, they killed our great grandparents to steal our land. They threw my people into poverty and despair and now they want to finish the job by destroying our spirituality and natural environment. We like the kangaroos have always been viewed as vermin. History now repeats. This time our spirituality and Totemic families are being slaughtered for economic gain.

I am of the Ghurrie (Native Orchid), the Morroo-goo Bibblar (the Belah and Black Box) and the Nyoonghar (Kurrajong), these are names for eco-systems. All that lives within these eco-systems is now under threat by these legislative changes in New South Wales. I am named after the Galah and my highest personal obligation is to protect the Echidna and its habitat, as he is my personal family totem. As Lawman of the Euahlayi I have the Legal, Spiritual and Cultural responsibility and obligation to fight for the protection of our whole totemic system by using whatever means possible. I will be fighting this in their courts because our Law is the Law of the Land, that is the true continental common Law of the continent.

This continental common law is not a construct of the British political/judicial system. The *Mabo* (No. 2) confirmed that the British/Australian common law now recognises it.

Our Law was not made so people can gain short time profit, our Law was given to us by the Creators to ensure that we all can live in a timeless harmony and peace together as family.

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