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### Disgraceful Conduct at Don Dale – Human Rights Abuse

The Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Board are devastated by the images depicting the shocking treatment of Aboriginal youth shown on the Four Corners Program which highlighted the abuse of Aboriginal youth in the Don Dale detention centre. Sandra Saunders ALRM chairperson said “the images seen on TV will sit with us forever” and believes that those responsible should be subject to criminal investigation.

The ALRM welcomes the Prime Minister’s call for a Royal Commission into the treatment of Aboriginal youth in detention in the Northern Territory. Deputy chairperson Tauto Sansbury said, “We call on all governments to immediately implement the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody. In particular, the recommendation that relates to the establishment of Aboriginal advisory bodies, to monitor the implementation of the recommendations from the past and the upcoming Royal Commission”.

The ALRM board calls on the Prime Minister to ensure that the Royal Commission is instigated as soon as possible.

Sandra Saunders stated that what we saw on Four Corners demonstrates the breach of basic human rights of Aboriginal children in Australia and that all Australians should be hanging their heads in shame that this is occurring in our country.

The ALRM further calls that the terms of reference in the upcoming Royal Commission must also include the undertaking of a review of the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody with a view to exploring whether those recommendations have been implemented to their fullest potential.

We will not be silenced on this matter, said Sandra Saunders, “we must speak up about the horrific abuse that has happened to these children.”

Sandra Saunders  
Chairperson

Tauto Sansbury  
Deputy Chairperson