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RE: Territory Coordinator role concerns & Kahlin Project Support

Mamanta is a 100% First Nations, NT-owned Social Enterprise Tiwi business that focuses on Reconciliation Action, Immersive- Cross-Cultural Learning, Cultural Preservation and Community Empowerment

As a born and bred Territorian and active member of the community, I appreciate the opportunity to contribute to this discussion.

Having followed the progress of the Kahlin project for sometime I have felt proud of the committee's dedication and passion to have this important part of the Territory's history to be enshrined in a public place for all Territorians and visitors to have access to education and awareness of the Kahlin history.

While working within the spaces of cross-cultural and social impact we strongly advocate for human rights aligned best practices and the pillars of reconciliation, of which "Historical Acceptance" is of high importance. With so many Territorian families impacted by harmful historic policies the generational impacts are evidenced and clearly apparent.

It is clear that the Territory Coordinator role has a priority for development. So for this reason I express concern over the implications and risks of reducing the limitations of the Territory Coordinator role and rather, align with the priority of preserving the powers and responsibilities of the Heritage Act and importance of maintaining and increasing Cultural Heritage preservation and showcasing of the resilience and strength local people have embodied while persevering as respectable and generational Territorians.

Again, I overwhelmingly give support to the work of the Kahlin Project to advocate for continued support from the NT Government.

Sincerely,

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Dreamer /Founder /Operator

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