English Summary guide - In our own words African Australians: A review of human rights and social inclusion issues	Thuəŋjäŋ /Dinka Ke wël kë, a ye wël cï keek got ku tou keek në thoŋ da, kë wo ye muonyjang. Në biäk de Aprikan to në Athuralya, keek Anyuthë keek lööŋ cï keek got në Human rights ku wël ke ceŋ de muonyjaŋ, ka cït wël ye koc kɛɛk në ciɛŋic, kor be keek cok piny në cïɛŋ da yïc ke wo ye muonyjaŋ.	File name Dinka- File1.m p3
Introduction	Kë tueŋ	Dinka- File2.m p3
African Australians have so much to contribute to the Australian society, but this can only happen when there is a sense of belonging, when people feel part of this country, when they call this country home. Community consultation, South Australia	Aprikan to Athuralya keek anaŋ biäk dit kuonykë akutnhom de Athuralya.ku yenë kee ye nyuooth, kë ke ye mïëth ke baai. Cï man yi keek ye panë col panden. Ajuir de akutnhom to në Athuralya ciεm. γ	
There is a long history of migration between Africa and Australia – however in recent years, it has accelerated.	Ku yen anaŋ Akölköl a bakook bäric areet në kaam Athuralya kenë Aprika – Ku në run diak ci lo yiic, kë yen aci rot juak.	
In 2006, a total of 248,699 people born in Africa were living in Australia. This represents 5.6% of Australia's overseas- born population and around one per cent of the country's total population. Since then, around 50,000 more migrants born	Ne run de 2006, koc eke dhieth keek Aprika ci ben Athuralya aye ke cit 248,699 eeke ye koc cëŋ Athuralya. Yen e ke cit 5.6% ku ne biak de pinynhom ne loŋ adet de koc to ne	

in Africa have arrived in Australia.	Athuralya eeke cit kuen tok ne biak de buotic. Ku jol ya koc thεεr eke rer pan Athuralya ku yike koc eeke bo ne bεεi kok yic e ke ye abakook. Ee kë cït 50,000 ne run ci lo tueŋ yic e ke ye koc cë bën Athuralya.
They come from nearly all countries on the African continent and represent a great diversity of cultures, religions and language groups.	Aa ke bວ໊ ne bɛ̃ɛ̃i juëc tວ Aprika yic abën, ku kaa naŋ ceŋken juiec yiic, ku pirden ku thok juëc.
In December 2007, the former Race Discrimination Commissioner Tom Calma launched a project to build a national picture of the lives and experiences of African Australians.	Wäär ne pen Thiεεr ku rou 2007, ke bëny Atëkthok de guop col Tom Calma acë luoi gol, ben baai col ye tök në pïr de koc ee ke bo Aprika ku yekë koc ke Athuralya ne ye mën.
The aims of the project were to:	Ka kor ye lone keek ke kï:
 identify what can help – and what can hinder – the settlement and integration experiences of African Australians 	 tïŋ kë naŋ kë bë kony – ku ye ŋö lë bï ye gël – be Aprikïn Athuralya γap ku mεt kë röt koc ke Athuralya bike ya tok eke ye Athuralin
 suggest practical solutions to guide the development of policies, programs and services for African Australians, as well as broader community education initiatives 	 Bë wël täk yiic bë lööŋ leer koc tueŋ cökpiny, ku jol ya loilooi ku kuny kuny tënë Aprikïn Yothralia, ku ka juëc piööc akutnhiïm abën.

address some of the stereotypes about African Australians that had been raised in public debate and media reporting.	 Ku bï ya jam ne biak de käka Aprikin ci röt luel në γän yene ke wël kuanyic ku cool ekeek në koc ye kaŋ caal 	
While this project is not the first to draw attention to the challenges facing African Australians, it does – for the first time – consider these issues from the viewpoint of African Australians, from a national perspective and within a human rights context.	Na cok ya man cï lonë ye kë tueŋ cï guum Aprikïn Athuralya nyuooth, ku cï them – ekë tueŋ – në ka nuan keek në biak de lööŋ ke human right ku jol ya lööŋ to thin.	
Just as importantly, the project sought to gather their suggestions to bring about positive change. It also documents the many creative and successful initiatives that have been established by African Australian communities and other organisations to address specific challenges and promote social inclusion.	Kë diit la wɛi, elonë akɔr bë ka yekë lueel kuötic ku bë kë piɛth bɛï. Ku kök	
	jöt cï akuut ekວc ke Aprika tö Athuralya looi ku akutnhiïm kök bïke	
	cɛɛŋ mɛtic bɛ̈i.	
About the project	Në biäk de luoi	Dinka- File3.m

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African Australians: Human rights and social inclusion issues was one of several projects undertaken by the Commission under its Community Partnerships for Human Rights program. It was largely funded by the Australian Government, as part of the National Action Plan to Build on Social Cohesion, Harmony and Security.	Ku në biäk de koc ke Aprika tອ Athuralya: ku ka nuan keek ku wël män röt në cɛɛŋ yic, eekë cï akut akuma looi në biäk de (Community Partnerships ku Human Rights program). Aa Akuma Athuralya yen ee cë wëëu ke ye lonë tou piiny, kë ye	
	Lon Diit ci baai cök piny, ku bë koc	
	ceŋ në dວວr.	
The project was established with the following partner organisations, which contributed knowledge, expertise and financial resources:	Ku Project kenë eedວclooi,akutnhïim tö në ye lon kënë yic, keek aa nyic	
	den mat thïn, ku bïï koc naŋ kë nyic kë ku jal aa luoide wëëu aya:	
Adult Multicultural Education Services (Victoria)	 Kuppny Akutnhom de Piöc Koc dït në lon deAME(Victoria) 	
Australian Red Cross	● Ku lu∋iAkutnhom Red Cro t∋ pan Athuralya	

Diversity Health Institute	 Yän ke Piööc kë käk ke pial de
	guop to në γän ke dhiεε
Migrant Resource Centre of South Australia	Thäntär Abköök to pan
	Athuralya Ciεm
Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and	Akut Akuma Athuralya Lui ke
Indigenous Affairs.	Mຬ̈cthook, ku ɣööt Ceŋ, ku
	Kuତତny Akutnhom ku käke Mïth ke Baai
Over the course of the project, the Settlement Council of Australia and the	Wën cënë ye lonë jal g∍l cök, ke Akut
Australian Government Department of	Nyuuc, K₀c ke pan Athuralya Ku Akut Akuma Abköök ku jinthiya keek aac
Immigration and Citizenship also joined as project partners.	röt bi mat thiin.
Representatives from each organisation were part of a project Steering Committee , which also included two African Australian community representatives.	Bäny ŋäär në akutnhïïm kök nhïïm, aa
	tö thïn eya eke ye akut ŋär lu∋i, ku
	keek anaŋ yiic bäny ke rou, bäny ka
	akutnhïïm ke kວc ke Aprika tວັ

	nëAthuralya.
The project also had significant input from the national Community Reference Group , made up of over 100 African Australian community members from around the country.	Ku ye Lonë acënë koc kuony kocto në yän wäc yiic ku bi ya akutnhom diit baai ye akutnhom thi kor wör ku jol ya
	Aprikan tο Athuralya kοc ci keek kuεny thin keek acit raan 100 në Athuralya yic ebën.
The Commission released a Discussion Paper in March 2009, which called for submissions from African Australians, service providers, other stakeholders and the public. It was translated into 10 community languages and invited responses on five key issues: training and employment, education, health, housing	Akut biɔth luɔi cök (Commission) aca athör de jam göt në pen diak yic 2009,
and justice.	ku cວl Aprikïn tວັ Athuralya, ku kວc ke
	kuວny akutnhïïm, ku kວc kວັk ke
	wεεride thookic. Athörë ee waaric në thook ka akutnhiïm ke10 në thooken wäc yiic, ku lu∋i ye r∋t nyu∋th në γän yiic, γän cit γän ke piööc, ku loiloi, ku

	piöc de gäär, ku piöc de pial, ku ɣöt ke ceŋ, ku lööŋ.
During the project:	Ke akut ci juiir dhiac ke lui.
over 2,500 African Australians took part in 50 community meetings held around the country, including workshops conducted in regional locations in NSW, Victoria and SA	 Në kë ciit 2,500 Aprikan Athuralya lom biak cit 50 akutnhiim ye mat në Athuralyaic ebën, agut ci amεtmεεt thii yike looi pan NEW,VIC.
 representatives from over 150 government and non- government stakeholders and service providers participated in the consultations 	 Ku koc ci ke kuɛny bei në akutnhiim yiic, cin den awar 150 eeke ye koc ke akuma ku koc kök naŋ akutnhiim ken luui koc
	ke baai kedhiεi.
• the Commission received over 100 submissions (written and oral).	 Akutnhom kuany luoi cök acää
	athöör 100 lööm.(athör cë göt
	ku wël cë ke lueel në k∍c thook)
Focus groups heard first-hand from African communities, in particular, young	Akut ye kaŋ caar, ku në akut de communitieε ku në biäk de röthii kor,

African Australians, African Australian Muslim communities and African Australian Muslim women. In addition, there were forums to identify good practice approaches ; local government and community forums; multi-faith forums; an Indigenous and African communities forum; a policing and communities forum; a community arts forum; and a sporting organisations forum.	kë ke ye Aprikan Athuralya, ku Aprikan muthlim communitieε, ku Aprikan Athuralya muthlim diäär, ye kenë ee ye nyuoth ke koc tiεt nyin në biäk de luoi piεth bi pioc në akutnhiim thii yiic, ku në γän ke kanitha yiic, ku jol ya akutnhiim ke pol, ku akuut juëc ci keek juiir.
A number of key principles informed the project, including the importance taking a 'strengths based' approach, being 'solutions focused' and promoting The First Voice of African Australian communities.	Ku ka juëc areetic ye yiknhial de ye akutnhomë nyuoth, röl tueŋ de akutnhom de Aprikan to në Athuralya ci juiir në akutnhiim yiic.
There is so much that has been said about Africans in the last couple of years, but if you look at who is writing it, it is often done from the perspectives of everyone but African Australians What a difference it will make if it is our voices that appear and our voices that are listened to. Community leader, Victoria	Anaŋ ka juëc ye keek lueel në biäk de Aprikan t₂ në Athuralya. Në run diɛŋ cë lȝ yiic, ku na ye tïŋ ran eegar keek, eka ye Aprikan tȝ Athuralya, ku röl den eepiŋ akuma, ku bany dit ke pan de Victoria.
The First Voice concept ¹ has its origins in the heritage conservation and museology; however it is now more widely applied as both a process and principle. The First Voice involves consultation on the basis of respect and equality, collaboration on the basis of ownership and participation, and action on the basis	Ku jວl ya röl thiɛɛr ci gວັt ku tວັu, në biäk de thok yenë ke jams pan de

¹ A Galla, 'The First Voice in Heritage Conservation', (2008) 3 *International Journal of Intangible Heritage* p 1.

of substantive equality.	Athuralya. Emanë ka juëc aloi kedhiεi në ajuiir de ke ka kë, ci man röl tueŋ anaŋ yic rieu, ku athεεk, ku në ciεŋ matë ne luοi yic ebën.
A central aspect of this project was the commitment to respecting The First Voice of African Australian communities, which was critical in identifying:	Luɔi de ye akutnhom ë ee wɛ̈tdeic tueŋ ee bë röl tueŋ de kɔc theek, në
	kວc ka Athuralya në biäk de kວc bວັ
	pan Aprika. Ku në ka rir nuan keek pan de Athuralya në baŋ de loiloi.
the issues	• Ka nuan koc
what works and what is not working	• Ka wen lui, ku ka wen ci lui.
achievements and contributions	 Ku ka ca keek loi, ku ka ca keek
Preferred solutions and	gaam.
suggestions for progressing the issues.	 Ku bake ke benë ke leu bëi, ku të benë ke luoi thin nyuoth, ku lo tuen den.
The project compendium provides a comprehensive record of the outcomes of the national consultation process, with strong emphasis on The First Voice of African Australian communities. Visit www.humanrights.gov.au/africanaus/com	Ku Luɔiee döŋ ke ye kë cï baai looi jɛmë wël yiic ku në röl de kɔc keAprika rɛ̈ɛ̈r pan
pendium/	Athuralya. Nem

	www.humanrights.gov.au/africanaus/compendi um/	
Key issues	Kä nuan koc thïn	Dinka- File4.mp3
The big problem is that, even if there is work or even if there are some houses, it is people and how they think about	Kë dit riric etör areet baai enë ee na	
Africans that is a bigger problem. We get told that we cannot be trusted, that we are lazy. This is much harder to fight than looking for houses.	cək naŋ luəi töu, ku cək cin luəi tə, ku	
Community consultation, South Australia	γööt, ke të ye k∋c Aprikïn tiëŋ thïn	
	yen awääc. Wuວk ye yວິວິk ya yuku	
	adakrööt. Ee tວ໗dïït ci luel baai etenë ,ku yuku kວc ci röth gɛi ku kɔr ku	
	yööt.ke akuma në dεεk de rot Athuralya Cεm.	
People who took part in the consultations and those who made submissions highlighted a number of barriers to the	Koc cë wël juiir yiic, ku koc cë athör	
successful settlement and inclusion of African Australians, particularly because of 'visible difference'.	göt aacë ka juëc dhal keek nyuoth,	
	bïk röt mat në k∋c yiic ku γäm bïk	
	keek γäp, ku ye k∋c ke Aprika tök loi,	

	ku ci bi ya kë be k₀c tëk yiic yenë ye lueel.
There was widespread agreement by community members, service providers and stakeholders that African Australians experience widespread discrimination – both direct and indirect – in relation to employment, housing, education, health services and in connection with the justice system.	Ku ke naŋ mätdiit de Akutnhiïm, ku koc luoi kenë abaköök, aacë gam lon ye koc ke Aprika aaye yoŋ gup në dhël la cök, ku dhël cë thiaan köu në yän ke luoi, ku në yän ke yööt, ku në yän ke gäär, ku në yän ke pial ku në yän ke lööŋ aya.
Regardless of whether they arrived as migrants, refugees or humanitarian entrants, and whether they had been here for a short time or their whole life, many said they experienced discrimination and prejudice as part of their everyday lives.	Ku në biäk de koc ci bën etën ëke ye abaköök, ku koc kat në toŋtooŋ. Ku na coke ya man cï kek rëër në thaa koor, welë cïk rëër në piir den yic ebën, ku ka ye koc juëc gam, kenë lueel yalä ka cää atekthok yök në piir denic në thaa thok ebën.

In fact, many African Australians felt it was the key factor that undermined their rights as equal citizens:	ku ke yic, Aprikïn juëc tö Athuralya aye kë yök kë yic den ye duor thian köu,ku cikë thööŋë keek apiɛth kë ke	
	ye koc bai etën citi;enε	
You start to feel that you have no place in this new land and you wonder what the experiences of your children will be as they grow up, and perhaps also find that the colour of their skin is the only reason that they will not be seen by some as belonging here. This is what I mostly fear. Community consultation, NSW	Aye yök ka yï cïn nhom piny pan yam kënë ku yïn e rot thiëëc të bï miëthku yën thïn të dït kek, ku ka bë ya d <i>ś</i> l de gupken yenë ka cïi keek bë ya koc baai etεn. Kënë yenë ke kë diit diir yεεn areetic. Akut ye koc nyuoth, në Athuralya	
	Ciɛm, NSW	
Stakeholders identified issues around the	Kοc lui kenë abaköök aacë ka juëc tïŋ	
provision of services, especially service quality and service gaps, as major	kä ye luöi abaköök, kë pεεth ye gäm	
barriers to social inclusion for newly- arrived African refugees and humanitarian entrants.	keek, ku ke diit de keek rilic, aa cïkë yök ka ye Aprikïn cë bën Athuralya pεn cεεŋ ee mat de yic.	
In contrast, a major concern of community	Dεt aya, kë ye k₀c akutnhïïm juëc	

members was the 'appropriateness' of services offered to African Australians. A number said that culturally inappropriate services and interventions created confusion and tensions and, in some instances, inadvertently undermined families.	lueel ee 'la cök' kuɔony yi keek koc ke Aprika tou Athuralya kuony. Aye koc juëc lueel, anaŋ konykoony juëc kuc të ye koc ceŋ thïn aa koc liääp nhïïm ku aa koc cok rac puöth, ku ka cɛɛŋ de mɛcthook thiɛk.
African Australians said that targeted education programs on the backgrounds, culture and diversity of their communities, and the pre-arrival experiences of refugees, would greatly assist service providers and others working with their communities.	Aye Aprikïn juëc tou Athuralya lueel, anaŋ kuoony e dhël de piööc, ku cεεŋ wääc, ku kuoony puoc, kek ebën kë ke ye abaköök alëu bë koc lui kenë abaköök kuony bïk kek kony loi.
More broadly, there was a need identified to involve African Australian communities as genuine partners in the development and delivery of programs and services.	Këdit areet, akວວr bë Aprikïn tວັບ Athuralya bike ya mat në biäk de
	kuəəny abaköök, ku luəi bi keek lə tueŋ leu.
Community members, service providers and stakeholders also made specific suggestions for improvements in the areas of training and employment , education , health , housing and the justice system .	Koc akutnhiïm, ku koc gεm kuoony, ku koc lui kenë abaköök aacë jam ya bë γan ka piööc, ku γän ke luoi, ku γän ke γööt ke ceŋ, ku γän ke lööŋ bï keek cok piny.

The consultations also highlighted a number of other important issues for African Australian communities, including the need to inform, educate and support communities to address issues of child protection and family violence .	Ku ye jam ë yen acë ka juëc kວ່k piɛth	
	bຬ໊i nhial anaŋ akutnhïïm keAprikïn	
	tວ <mark>ัu Athuralya, cimën ci bääi</mark>	
	akutnhiïm lɛ̈k, bë keek piວວc, ku bë	
	keek kuວny bïk ka cït kuວວny de mïth	
	tïŋ ku kɛ̃ɛ̃k yi k∍c ke baai.	
Training and employment	Piööc ku luoi	Dinka- File5.mp3
African Australians who took part in the consultations brought with them considerable skills, qualifications and experience. They said they were eager to make a positive contribution to their new home.	Aprikïn tö Athuralya cë bën jam në	
nome.	yic, në bën ci keek bën ye panë, ku	

	cikë naŋ ka juec ci keek nyic ku piວ່ວັc
	kë keek baai etën. Aye kë lueel ya w∋ k∍r buku naŋ kë lui ku pandεn yam.
However, many faced significant challenges when they seek suitable work and training opportunities.	Dët aya, kວc juëc anaŋ kaŋ, ka dhal
	keek të kor keek lolooi piεth, ku piööc piεth, de nyic luoi.
Community members said there was an urgent need to provide more targeted information about the vocational training programs and services available to them. They also noted the need for more intensive support during and after training, as well as training approaches that take account of their needs and backgrounds:	Abaköök tö akutnhiïm yiic aa jam, ye kor kë piööc bi keek lon yenë lui nyic, ku jol ya loiloi yenë ke koc pioc, yen akor keek koc bi keek kuony, ago kë
When you come from a place where the	ke den yikë kor në ke pioth ya yök.
When you come from a place where the idea of 'training' is somewhat alien, and you learn through doing or oral discussion, then the approaches that are taken just don't seem to work. African Australian settlement worker, Victoria	Na bär pan ë yenë loiloi 'piööc thin,kë yin etɔ kë yin naŋ nyic de loiloi wen thiɛr' kë y luɔi,ci yin ber tiam, ku në yïn kuc luɔi wen thiɛr kë yin kɔr be yin piɔc ba luɔi nyic,ku naŋ yi jam në yi thok abac ë ka cin kë kony yin thin.
	Ran lui ke Aprikin Athuralya,piɔc bën

	bikë _V äp,Victoria
African Australians also said they needed greater support to understand and get the most out of employment service providers. They described the system as complex and overwhelming, with not enough time to help them develop employment pathways or find jobs that matched their skills, interest and experience.	Kວc pan Aprika tວ ິ Yothralia aa jam ëke kor kuony bïk käŋ deet, ku yök kë kuony piɛth ee naŋ koc ye loilooi gaam. Aa jam ya luoi aril yic, ku acïn thaa lääu ye keek loilooi buooth, bïk loilooi lëu kë keek në röt yök, ku ye loilooi nhiar kë keek.
Most community respondents said that front-line staff of employment service providers should receive training to help them better support African Australians, particularly those who are newly-arrived.	Kວc juëc cë thiëëc akutnhïïm yiic aa jam anaŋ kວc lui kenë kວc ye loilooi gaam, aa piɛth bë ke ya piວິວິc, ku bë
	keek kuວny bïk aprikïn tວ໊ Athuralya ya kuວny apiɛth, kວc puວc bën.
THEY also said it was important that career advisors provided realistic information and that there were opportunities to get practical work experience in Australian workplaces.	Aye kë lueel ya ka naŋ kë la cök, bë koc nyuöth kë bïi raan lëu në luoi, ku

	be koc luoi ya piöc në _Y än ke loiloi, ku
	bikë nyic lööm apiεth bai ëtën Athuralya.
Many African Australians said that prejudice was one of the greatest challenges to finding and securing employment:	Kಂc juëc bở Aprika aye kë lueel ya ka
	naŋ tiɛɛl atekthok tə në ɣän ke luəi yic, yen ee kë rac areet.
It was all fine until I turned up for the interview. They didn't expect to see a person with black skin. I knew the minute I sat down that I wasn't going to get the job. Well this was a year ago, and I have had that experience at least six times. Community focus group, South	Ee ya yök kë piɛth agut aköl jal ɣɛn lɔ tënë athëm luɔi. Ee cïkë nyic lɔn yen raan col dɛl yenë bë bën. Guɔ- nyic në lan töŋ ee nyuc yɛn piiny lɔn cï
Australia	yεn lu∋i bë yök. Ee ru∂n wäär cë l∋
	kënë, ku yen acë rot looi na dëtem në _Y ən kə yiic.
	Akutnhom daai, Athuralya Ciεm
Community members believed that their accent or having an unfamiliar name caused difficulties in getting interviews. When they attended interviews, many community members felt that employers would be unwilling to give them a job because of visible difference. These	Koc akut aye kë gam lon thuoŋden ku rin keen a loi thook, ku yen ee ke diit ci rot looi në yän yenë ke koc them të kor yin luoi, Koc ye loilooi gaam, aye

barriers were perceived to be further compounded for Muslim African Australians, especially women who wear the hijab.	guɔ- jai të ɣen raan dɛ̈, ku na ye tïŋ kë
	yi gup.ee ka jal yic riɛl tënë Aprikïn Muthlimïn, ci man yi diäär ceŋ ɣijab.
Women, particularly African Muslims, spoke of feeling generally more vulnerable to exploitation around workplace arrangements. Several women also spoke of their experiences of sexual	Diäär, bວັ Aprika ku aa muthlimïn, aa
harassment.	jam ya ye ke y₀ŋ në γän ke loloii yic.
	Diäär juëc aa jam ya ke yວŋ në wët ye
	kek diäär.
An additional challenge to employment was the difficulty of having overseas qualifications and experiences recognised by employers and professional bodies.	Dë <mark>t ril yic në lວŋ de lu</mark> ວi ee kë cït kë cï
	raan kueen Aprika yen ace dac gam
	në kວc ke loilooi baai ëtຬ໊n.

perpetuating intergenerational disadvantage.	gup riວັວ <mark>ັc në kë cï keek lu</mark> ວi ye yök ku	
	amëdhiëth aye diεεr në të bïï luöi	
	miëth ken, ku në t ö bïi keek ya t ö kë	
	ke nyic kuat-yic ku të bii keek thin.	
Consultations with community participants, service providers and stakeholders identified a number of strategies to better support African Australians to find and keep meaningful employment, including:	Ku jiɛm kenë koc akuötnhiïm, ku koc gɛm -kuoony ku, koc lui kenë abaköök acë ka juëc lëu bë ke looi bïi Aprikïn kuony bïk loilooi ya yök, cëmën:	
specific programs to provide information to new arrivals about the Australian work environment and what Australian employers avpost	 Loilooi dit la wai bïk koc puoc në yän luoi Athurayia, ku kë ye 	
expect	kວc ye kວc luວi gam ku thວັວ໊໗ kë	
	köu.	
 programs and initiatives to help employers better understand the assets and capabilities of African Australian migrants and refugees. 	 Ku ka bë koc gεεm luoi, ku ka cok koc nyic luoi, ka be abaköök kuony pan Athuralya ku yikë 	

	k ວ c b ວັ Aprika .	
Education	Gäät	Dinka- File6.mp3
Young African Australians who took part in the consultations said they wanted to learn and to succeed academically. Many wanted to complete tertiary studies and find employment in various professions.	Riënthii de Aprikïn tゔ Athuralya cë lo	
	jam yic aye kë lueel kaa kor bïk piöc apiεth. Koc juëc ken akor bïk γön gäät dhiεεl thokde ku bïk loilooi yök γan juëc yiic.	
So many of us are getting through and achieving all sorts of things. My brother is now a biochemist and my sister is a teacher. This really shows how determined we are. Youth focus group, Victoria	Kəc juëc kuə aa naŋ ka lëu ke keek në luəi. Wämääth alui në lon de pial yemënë ku nyan käi kë ye raan piööc. Kënë aye nyuəəth të ril yok puööth thïn.	
	Akut tueŋ riënythii, Victoria	
However, many said they encountered prejudice and negative attitudes about their ability to succeed, with a number (especially girls) describing encounters with teachers who told them they	Aya, k∋c juëc lueel ya ka kuc tïŋ në kë bïk lëu, ku k∍c juëc (cëmën nyïïr)	
"shouldn't aim too high".	aye kë lueel anaŋ ka ye dupiööc lɛ̈k	
	keek "bïk ke pi∋th ya wai piny të kuën keek."	

Newly-arrived students expressed frustration at being placed in classes to match their chronological age, rather than ones that reflected their educational attainment. And if their English-language skills were still developing, many young African Australians said they found the school curriculum very challenging.	Mïth juec to në thukuulic e bën, aa jam ya ye keek tääu në γööt ke gäät thöŋ kenë ruön ken, ku kaa ce kë pioc ye gäät ku deet yic apiεth.në ŋo riënythii Aprika tổ Athuralya aa jam të cenë piööc juiεεr thïn alo nyon nyon.
They also felt there was a lack of appropriate support at school, including a lack of people who could understand the background and culture of African Australians. Many said they struggled to feel as though they belonged. However, positive support and encouragement from teachers helped boost their confidence and feelings of acceptance:	Aye kë yök ka cïn kubony pisth yekë yök në thukuulic, acïn koc ci cisŋ dekoc bö Aprika deet yic. Aye koc juëclueel ka akor ki bïk röt ya kuboth bïk ya koc kok ke baai. aya, kubony pisthtënë dupiööc ee keek kubny bïk puöthrisl ku yekë röt yök kë ke ci keek gam në koc yiic:
It makes a big difference when the teacher says to you in front of the other students that you did very well in an assignment. It tells everyone else that you are intelligent. Youth focus group, Tasmania	Apiɛth biï dupiööc lueel në mïth ke thukul nhiïm, ya yïn cë nyiɛc luui

African Australian parents stressed that	areet në gäät yic. Ee k <i>∍</i> c l <i>ё</i> k ebën ke yin ye raan nyicl käŋ. Akut tueŋ riënythii, Victoria Ku Amëdhiëth t∍ ee ke ye Aprikïn	
they wanted to establish positive ties with schools, which they saw as crucial to their children's educational progress. However, a number said they felt intimidated by the school environment and others experienced language barriers.	Athuralya aa jam në biäk de mïthken t∋ në thukuul yiic, në dhel wën bik mïthken gäät loi apiɛth, Dɛt aya, aye kë lueel mithken akuc thook juec k∍k ke panabun yam, yen ee kee ke jöör.	
African Australian parents also shared very positive experiences and highlighted the importance of schools being open and welcoming, providing information and counselling services in their first language and being invited to run school-based events, including cultural information days for students and other parents.	Ku Amëdhiëth Aprikïn tổ Athuralya aa jam kä piɛth yekë yök ku piath ye panabun kɔc loor ebën, ku liɛp ke thok raan kɔr gäät ebën, ku juiir thukul kë ci raan nuan bë kuɔny keek në käke cɛɛŋ den kenë mïth ke thukuul ku amëdhiëth ken.	
Community members, service providers and educators said that developing a whole-of-sector approach was essential to ensure greater access to education and improved outcomes for African Australian students. They also provided a range of specific suggestions, including:	Koc akutnhom, ku koc ke kuoony, ku koc ke piööc aa jam në guiër γön gäät ebën, yen apiεth be gäät col lo tueŋ,	

	ku cວk mïth ke thukul bວ່ Aprika cວk
	naŋ nyic. Aa cë ka juëc lueel aya loŋ:
 allowing students to stay in English language classes until they are ready to move on to mainstream schooling, and increasing resources for language support in primary and secondary schools 	 Bë mïth ya puöl bïk rëër në pathil thoŋ ku bikë ya jam në English ke dhiεi,ku lekë në γän yi mïth ke thukuul ke lo thin,agut aköl bï keek jal lo pathil mïth ebën yic, ku juak kuoony den yic,ci man de γön de tök ku agut ci lo γön de rou.
 providing transition programs to improve school readiness and orientation for new arrivals 	 Bë kä ci röt war looi bë thukul jal lo cök ku bë jal nyuöth apiεth.
employing more teachers from African Australian backgrounds	• Ku bë dupiööc ke Aprikïn tອ Athuralya ya luööi
 holding more classes in informal community settings and providing more after-school tutoring programs. 	● Bë k∍c ya piööc baai ku të cï
	thaa thukul thok bë kວc kuວny apiɛth

A pressing need was identified for schools with refugee students to develop strategies to better connect and communicate with parents from African Australian communities, as well as programs to build greater understanding among teachers and educators about the needs and experiences of newly-arrived refugee students:	Kë cï yök kë kor areet ee bë thukuul naŋ yiic mïth ke abaköök nyic,në dhel yi keek jam kenë amëdhiëth, ku dhel bï keek röt ya deet në kaam de dupiööc, ku koc kuany thukuulcök në kë kor abaköök puoc bɛ̈n.	
It is important that schools use people within the community as the experts of their own culture. There is so much around that is delivered about us by people who are not us. Community leader, Western Australia	Apiɛth bë thukuul kəc tə̈ akutnhiïm yiic ya luööi ka ye kəc nyic kë loi rot cɛɛŋ den yic.Anaŋ ka juëc ye ke looi në riɛn kuə në kəc ce kəc kuə. Bëny akut, Athuralya Tueŋ	
Health	pial	Dinka- File7.mp3
African Australians who took part in the consultations highlighted a number of factors that undermined their physical and mental health, as well as their capacity to get the support they needed.	Kວc juëc cë bën jam në yic,në loŋ abaköök bö Aprika aa jam lon ye kä	
	juëc pial den de guöp röt looi, ku kök	

	juëc kວ <mark>័k, ke keek pën ku</mark> ວວ <mark>ny</mark> .	
These were often associated with the settlement process and included feelings of 'culture shock'; changes in food and diet; social isolation; language barriers; and a lack of culturally appropriate health services.	Kee ka kë ebën aa mat kenë dhël de γäp de baai ku ka ke ciεŋ de koc kë;'ku wër cï mïïth cam keek röt war,	
	ku j∍l ya liu ci käkë dheeŋ liu, ku ka juec ke pial.	
Discrimination, prejudice and racism also had a significant impact on people's sense of well-being:	Atekthok, tiɛɛl ku tiɛɛl de guöp ee kɔc ca nyic röt	
If every day you go out on the street and people stare at you, or you are told you cannot get a job because of your skin colour, or your children are told they will not be successful because they are African, then you get sick in your heart and your head. Community consultation, NSW	Ku në aköl ye yïn lɔ aɣeer, kë kɔc aa yï ɣoi guöp, tëdɛt ka lëk yïïn ya yïn cë luɔi yök në kë de dɛlde guɔpdu, ku miëthku aye yɔɔk ya ka cë bë yaa kɔc ke kɔc ke Aprika, ke yïn jal tuaany në yï nhom ku yï puöu. Jam akut, NSW	
Community members, service providers and stakeholders raised specific issues in relation to the health needs of newly- arrived communities, women, young people and people with disabilities.	Koc ke akutnhiim, ku koc ke kuoony aa cë jam käke pial ye ke kor ënaŋ koc puoc bën, diäär, ku jal apälrääk	

	naŋ ɣວ̈n ci riäk në ke gup.
Participants noted that health issues that were not properly identified or addressed in the first year of settlement, such as dental and oral health needs, often became more acute. In some cases, these problems could be exacerbated by language barriers, a cultural reluctance to discuss personal issues or a lack of	Koc ka cë jam aa jam alä kake pial aa kënë looi bë keek ya kuoony apiɛth në ruöön piac yin bën yic, cëmën de pial de thok, ku lec,aa kën la cök.Keek aa kuc keek thok në koc
understanding about how Australia's health system works:	juec, ku ciɛŋ wën de kake guວ໊p, ku
	kuc të ye käke pial lu∋i thïn Athuralya:
People in our communities worry that they may not properly understand what the doctor tells them or that they can't adequately explain the nature of their health complaint. And so anxiety wins out and they end up not going to see a health care professional at all.	Kɔc juëc kuɔ aaye diɛɛr të ci keek lɔ panakim ku bike jam kenë diktoor/akim, ke yen anaŋ ka ken kë keek ya deet yiic apiɛth.Ku ye kënë acë keek ye lɔ bïkë akïm la tïŋ.
Community leader, Queensland	Bëny akut, Queensland
A number of African Australians, especially women, gave examples when they failed to receive the medical care they needed, and felt that these problems often stemming from cultural	Kಂc juëc Aprika tö Athuralya, cëmën
assumptions, stereotypes or miscommunication on the part of health professionals.	de diäär, aa jam yi ken kë ka ke pial yök apiɛth bai etën, ku ka yeke yök kë ka kë ebën keek eka ye ciɛŋ de

	kວc kວັk kuc deet, ku yaaŋ ku pïŋ cï
	kəc röt ye piŋ kenë kəc ke pial de guəp.
Community members said they valued doctors and health professionals who	Koc juëc ke akutnhiim aa jam kenë
listened to them, took the time to explain health issues and treatment options, organised appropriate interpreters when needed and showed respect for traditional methods of healing.	dïktoor ku akïïm kök la cök ye kaŋ
	piŋ, aa thaa lööm bïk käke pial lɛ̈k
	keek apiɛth, ku bïi kë awarthook, ku kaa cɛɛŋden de riëu nyuວth keek ebën.
A key area of discussion during all consultations was the need to support health professionals better understand	Ku të dïït e jamε thin, ee bë koc ke pial kuony bïk keek koc ya deet të bï
the background, experiences and perspectives of African Australians so they can deliver more appropriate and	keek thïn, ku kë nyic kë ,ku kë k∋r
effective health services.	Aprikïn tở Athuralya në kë bïk keek
	kuວວny piεth jäl gaam.
Bilingual health workers were seen as an important component in good medical care, as was the choice to see either	Kəc nyic thook juëc ye kəc ke pial kuəny, aaye kë tïŋ në ka wën ye kəc

male or female health practitioners.	ril në pial de raan yic, ku bike nyintiit, ku ci man de pial de tike ku pial de möc aya.
Mental health issues were also highlighted in the consultations. Many community members said that being separated from other family members had a profound effect on their health and well- being, while others spoke about the impact of unemployment, a lack of stable	Käk ariɛɛr nhom aacë lueel areet, ku jam keek yic,Kວc juëc aa jam në tëŋ de yic, de keek ke kວc ruääi, keek anaŋ të dït pial nhom yic, ku kວc kວׂk
housing and family conflict.	aa jam wët liu luວi, ku _V ööt nïn ku këëk de baai thaa thok ebën.
The impact of torture and trauma was another factor that affected the physical and psychological health of some new arrivals.	Ku wέt nääk ku tέk ka thεεr cë röt
	luöi raan ee dε̈t cë pial guöp ku pial

	nhom bëi tënë koc puoc bën.	
The stigma associated with mental health was seen as a major barrier to seeking help, as was a lack of understanding about doctor confidentiality. One-on-one counselling was also not familiar to some cultures.	Män ye luöi kວc cë nhiïm piວ່l acë yök kaye kuວວny kor gël, ku kë ye dïktoor	
	raan ce wël kວc luɛɛl moony. Jɛ́ɛ̈m	
	nhom tök, ku tök ace kë nyic në cieŋ kök tö yiic.	
African Australians said that 'family inclusive' services and programs were the most effective in responding to mental health issues. Several participants suggested that information about torture and trauma services should be disseminated more widely, as there was a general misunderstanding about their role and the services.	Aprikïn tö Athuralya aa jam anaŋ konykoony 'bik keek koc kuony koc wën ci nhiim piol,.ku yen ayi koc juec lueel ya kë yin ke tuany cit ye kënë ee wët bii keek në bëi naŋ yiic toŋ, ku jol	
Housing	ya kë diit kën keek luoi deet yic. Aniïn	Dinka-

		File8.mp3
New migrant and refugee communities are among the most disadvantaged groups when it comes to finding accommodation to meet their basic	Abaköök puoc bën Athuralya keek aaci yöt lëu në jur në kë yen keek koc	
needs. They face further challenges trying to secure affordable housing, especially in the private rental market, given Australia's current chronic shortage of properties.	piac bën aa piɛ̈l gup bïk ɣööt ke nïn	
	dac yök keek. Aacë ɣööt ke ariöp lëu në yök, në kë ril ɣööt ke nïn yiic, e mën thiinë në Athuralya.	
African Australians said that the six- month intensive support provided to newly-arrived refugees was too short and that the period of housing assistance should be extended to 12 months. This	Aye Aprikïn Athuralïn lueel anaŋ pɛïi	
would better support families and individuals as they attempt to deal with a number of issues following their settlement:	ka dhetem yenë ke koc kuony keek alik, ku thaa yenë koc ke yööt koc	
	kuɔny apiεth, yen ayikë cuɔt në pε̈i ke	
	12. Kënë abë mɛ̈cthook kuəny, ku kəc	
	piεth ye k₀c yin käke yäp de baai.	
It's just a complete shock when you are out on your own trying to find somewhere for you and your family to rent. We are	Ku ye kënë ee kë de gäi areet të jol yïïn rot kuony ba baai kor yi tök ku	

just not ready to do this after just six months, when we are also trying to learn the language, put our children into schools, trying to find work Community consultation, Western Australia	ri∋p yic, enaŋ k∍c ku. Acuk lëu buku ka ku∍ lëu në p <i>š</i> i ke dhetem yiic, ke
	wว kวr buk thok jal nyic, ku พว tธัธัน
	mïth në thukul yic, ku wə kər luəi
	Jam akut,ɣothralia Tueŋ
Racial discrimination – both direct and indirect – was the most common barrier that African Australians said they faced when trying to find affordable and appropriate housing.	Atekthok de guöp - kë cë nyuວວth, ku kë cë thiaan kວັu ,- yen e kë ye Aprikïn
	Athuralïn lueel anaŋ kë kën kë yök të
	kວr keek bຮິຮັi.
Community members gave numerous examples of discriminatory practices of	Koc akutnhiim aacë ka juëc lueel
real estate agents and landlords, such as failing to supply details of vacant properties or being denied housing due to their family size.	nëlວŋ atekthok ënaŋ kວc ke bຬຬຬ໊i,
	cëmën në jai yen keek jai bïk _V ööt

	lääu nyuəəth, ku jäi kï kəc juec bai në
	kë benë yöt ke dak.
They also said that there were very few houses available – either through public housing or in the private market – to accommodate large families, while unaffordable rent increases meant that some families were often forced to move every year:	Aye ka lueel anaŋ γööt tɔ aa lik - bέï
	akuma ku bɛ̈i kɔc naŋ keek - bïk kɔc
	juëc j∋t ku jal a juëk ariöp ee k∋c ca jöt ruöön thok ebën:
This is having a disastrous effect on the families' sense of stability and on peace of mind. The impact on the children and their schooling is also significant.	Kënë ejik aci baai c∂k cë ca lëu rot Kë ye looi ënaŋ mïth, ku në thukul ken yic arac aya.
Community consultation	Jam akut
In addition, many community members said that being on a long and uncertain waiting list for public housing contributed to feelings of stress and anxiety.	Dët aya, aye k₀c juëc lueel anaŋ tiët
	bäric de ɣööt ke akuma ee kວc tວr nhiïm areet, ku rɛc në kວc puöth.
Service providers and stakeholders noted that the combination of all these factors meant that newly-arrived refugees were	Koc gεm kuoony acïk yök abaköök

at particular risk of homelessness.	puɔc bën aa thiök kë ke tai, ku yikë
	kɔ c cïn nhom b εi.
Several community members also raised the specific issue of African Australian women fleeing domestic violence, and the need for accessible and culturally appropriate crisis accommodation services.	Akutnhiïm juëc aacë tວວ໗tວວ໗ ye luວi diäär ke Aprikïn bɛï nhial, ku ka kɔr
	kuວny në dhel bik keek bຮິຮິi ken nyic ciɛŋ thïn.
Providing tenancy education programs for African Australian communities was identified as an area of urgent need. These programs should provide practical information to improve their prospects for finding suitable housing, as well as provide information about their legal rights.	Ku piööc de dhël yenë baai riap thïn të naŋ akutnhïïm ke Aprikïn Athuralïn ee kë dhil dac looi. Aabë koc nyuööth yök de γööt, ku nyiny den yekë yök në löŋ de yic.
Service providers and stakeholders drew attention to initiatives that sought to develop cooperative relationships with real estate agents and which had helped reduce instances of discrimination and misunderstanding involving African Australian families.	Kວc gɛm kuວວny aacë kä bë ciɛŋ piɛth bɛ̃i në kaam de abaköök, ku kວc ye

	bຮ <mark>i nyuວoth, ku keek kë aacë</mark> atekthok,ku jol ya kuc pieŋ de rot ë naŋ koc ke Aprikïn tö Athuralya.
Some housing support agencies had established arrangements to act as guarantor for individuals applying for rental properties, overcoming the need for refugees or humanitarian entrants to provide a rental history.	Ajen de kupony de γööt aacë kë bë koc cuεt bïk riop γööt looi, ku abë ka nuan abaköök kuony dhël bï kek bἕἕï ya yök.
However, there was broad agreement that, in general, real estate agents lacked understanding about emerging African Australian communities. As a result, there was a need for targeted education initiatives for this group on anti- discrimination laws and also on the background and settlement experiences of these communities.	Dຮັt aya, ee cë gam alä, kວc naŋ bຮັຮັi ke ariöp, aa kën akutnhïïm puວc bën Athuralïn Aprika deet apiɛth. Ka ye kënë, akວr piööc lööŋ ciën tiɛɛl tënë keek ku bë ka nyic ye kວc yïndɛ̆ ku

	nyuucden yïndɛ̈ baai ë tënë.	
Engaging with the justice system	Dhël de luoi de lööŋ	Dinka- File9.mp3
Engaging with the legal system and relationships with law enforcement agencies emerged as areas of significant	Luɔi de lööŋ, ku kɔc löŋ kuany cök aa	
concern for African Australians.	kä tueŋ loi areet tënaŋ Aprikïn tວັ	
	Yothralia.	
Of particular concern was the relationship between young African Australians and the police, with many young people saying they felt they were being 'over policed'.	Kë tueŋ ee pïŋ de röt në kaam apuruuk ku riënythii Athuralya bാ്	
	Aprika, në kë ye riënythii ye lueel ya ka naŋ 'ka ye caath bë gël.'	
I don't think there is a day where I haven't been asked to move on, or police have come over to us and asked us why we are hanging around. We do go around in big groups, but that is normal for us. Youth focus group, NSW	Acïn aköl töŋ cenë ɣɛn ye yɔɔk ya bakë lɔk ya lɔ tueŋ wälä, bää apuruk ye bën të naŋ wɔɔk ku thiëëc kë wɔɔk në kë loi ku ëtɛɛn. Në kë ye wɔɔk dhiɛl cath kë wɔ ye akut, acïn kë tɔ thïn në taŋwɔɔk. Akut tueŋ riënythii, NSW	

Community members in all states and territories raised concerns about a perceived stereotyping of African Australians by police and law enforcement officials, which they felt had contributed to deteriorating relationships.	Koc ke akuut Athuralya thok ebën aa jam kë ye apuruuk ka tiëëŋ bei ku jol ya bäny kuany löŋ cök, aye kë yök ka cë ciɛŋ rac kek keek.
A number of initiatives were taking place to build trust and improve community interaction with police, especially with young African Australians. There was broad agreement that ongoing work in this area was crucial.	Ku ka juëc aa ke loi röt, ku bë cɛŋ kenë apuruuk apiɛth, kenë wɛ̈ɛ̈t ke
	riënythii cëbën dhël de pan Aprika. Ee cë gam kë ke loi në ye kuer kënë yic ee kë piεth ëlonden.
Other areas of concern included:	<mark>ɣan k</mark> ɔk kɔr luɔi aaya:
 a lack of understanding of Australia's laws and legal system, including the courts, which could be compounded by language barriers 	 Kuöc pïŋ në loŋ de dhël de lööŋ
	ke Athuralya, cëmën maakama,
	aye wët de thok ke ril nhiïm.
underreporting as victims of crime, often due to a lack of confidence in the system	Kë ye koc guo lueel ënaŋ koc ci kaŋ riok ku rεεmkë tooŋ, ku në kë kuc keek luoi de lööŋic. •

difficulties accessing affordable legal assistance, leading to situations where people self- represent.	 Riɛl yuëëc kuວວny löŋic, ku ee koc col aye kööc kek në röt.
A key priority identified during the consultations was the importance of building legal 'literacy' among African Australian communities.	Kë tueŋ cë lueel në jam yic ee bë koc akutnhïïm Athuralya bວ Aprika 'piວັວັc lööŋ.bikë keek nyic'
In particular, community members said that increasing their understanding of child protection laws and issues was a pressing concern. Many expressed frustration, dismay and despair at the impact that child protection interventions were having on their families.	Cëmën, kວc ajam anaŋ juëk nyic de löŋ tiët de nyin de mïth ye kë dhil tïŋ. Kວc juëc acë puöth dhວ໊r, ku riɛ̈ɛ̈k kë puöth ku lek puöth ŋërëc ne kë ye löŋ
	de tiët de nyin mïth luöi keek në bɛ̈ɛ̈i yiic.
African Australians gave examples of what they felt were ill-informed assessments by child protection workers and wanted to know more about how decisions were made and what scope existed to challenge those decisions.	Aprikïn Athuralya aa jam anaŋ k∍c lui kenë mïth aa kënë ke lɛïk apiɛth, ku

	ka k∍r kë bïk nyic ye wël ŋueek ya de
	ku lëu ŋἕἕk wël dhel yic ye dε.
I don't need parenting classes. I need to understand the law and also how some of my culture may be misunderstood. Community focus group, Northern Territory	ິ¥ɛn ci kɔr në piööc amëdhiëëth. ɣɛn kɔr ba löŋ deet yic, ku të ban ciɛŋ diɛ́
	dεεt yic thïn.
	Akut jam Akutnhom, Northern Territory
The need for child protection agencies to develop culturally sensitive approaches to assessment and intervention was also strongly emphasised by a majority of community participants.	Aciï koc juëc gam kë koc lui kenë mïth ye mïth gel, kenë tiët de nyin de mïth në käk ke ciεŋ bë keek kuony mïth.
A number of African Australian communities also expressed deep concern about family violence, which many viewed as a growing problem.	Aprikïm juëëc to Athuralya aa jam anaŋ ka cït tcŋtooŋ ye baai jöör, ku ka ye kë tïŋ kë ye kë ril yic areet.
Some said that they felt uncertain about reporting family violence because of a fear of police and law enforcement agencies, as well as a fear that children	Aye koc kok lueel anaŋ ka ye kä yök ka toŋtooŋ ken ce röt ye nyiεc luεεl
or women may be removed from the family home.	aɣer në riວ໊ວ໊c yi keek apuruuk, ku kວc

	buວth löŋ cök, ku riວັວັc de mïth ku diäär në nyɛɛi yen mïth ku diäär nyaai në bɛ̃ɛ̃i yiic.
The majority of respondents expressed the view that African-specific organisations should be equipped to play a more significant role in responding to family violence:	Kວc juëc aa jam anaŋ akutnhïïm aprikïn aa piɛth bë ke ya guiëk apiɛth bïk käk ke tວŋtວວŋ ke bɛ̃i yiic ya nyic tïŋ apiɛth ,ku kວc rer në ciɛŋ piɛth yic
Issues around family violence are issues that the community is trying to openly address, but wanting to do it in a way that is culturally appropriate. Community focus group, Tasmania	Käk ak <i>εε</i> k e baai keek ëka buöc k∋cke thïn areet be keek lëu, ku bë keek looi dhël pi <i>ε</i> th ke ci <i>ε</i> ŋda. Akut ye wεl tak yic, Tasmania
Community education was viewed as being more effective than legal options, while collaboration between mainstream providers and community representatives was necessary to develop effective and culturally appropriate responses.	Ku nyic de akutnhiim acë yök kë wär lööŋ cï keek gວt, ku bë kວc luui kenë kວc thɛɛr rɛ̃ɛ̃r ëtënë lööŋ kuany yiic,
	ku bäny ke akutnhïïm bë käke ciεŋ

	ri ἕu ku looi keek apiεth .	
Emerging issues	Ka loi röt ku aabo nhial	Dinka- File10.mp 3
During the community consultations and through the public submissions, African Australians drew attention to a number of other issues that they believed were crucial in supporting the settlement and integration of newly-arrived communities, strengthening families and promoting social inclusion.	Jam yic kenë akutnhiïm ku ka ci koc ke lueel ebën, Aprikin Athuralya aacë ka juëc yekë yök ka la wsi lëu bik yäp,ku mst bik keek röt mär në koc yiic bsi nhial, ku bë mëcthook kuony bë lo tueŋ jal piath.	
Community members said it was vital to:	Aciï koc lueel alä ka piεth bë:	
 respect and preserve African cultures, heritage and values, including maintaining first languages and promoting involvement in creative arts 	 Bë ciεŋ Aprika, ku të yi kë luoi käŋ Bik theek, agut ci muŋ de thok cök, ku bë koc ya luui në käk ke dheeŋ aya. 	
ensure that individuals and communities did not experience discrimination or harassment because of their religion and expressions of their faith	 Ku bë kuat de raan ebën, ku jal akutnhiïm ca tekthok bë Nhial kenë tiεl de guop, ku teer de wët de nhialic. 	

 address intergenerational tensions within African Australian families and communities, often brought about by changing family dynamics during the settlement process 	• ku bë käk ke koc kor wuöc kenë
	käk ke k₀c dït, Aprikïn
	Athuralya mɛ̈cthook aaye tïŋ, kë
	keek wääc, në biäk de käk ke γäp de bai,ku jວl ya kuεny de
	käk ke bai cök
 support young African Australians as they seek to reconcile their traditional cultures with the values and expectations held by other young Australians 	 bë riënythii Aprikïn Athuralya ya kuony në ka ken ke dheeŋ, ye käk ke ciεŋ de panden nyuoth kë ke ye rinythin to pan Athura
 support women and men to build positive gender relations to deal with changing household roles and expectations of life in Australia 	• Ku bë diäär, ku rວ໊ວ໊l, kuວny në
	nyiεc rëër apiεth, ku tïŋ kë ka

	waar röt në bຮ໊ຮ໊i yiic kadhie tëcït
	të k₀r pïïr Athuralya ye thïn.
make public transport more affordable and accessible,	• Bë käk ke cäth col aye röt dac
especially for the growing number of African Australian families	yök, ku yekë röt lëu cuεt piny,
settling in regional and rural centres.	and apɛidït tënë bɛ̈ɛ̈i Aprikïn
	wën gɔl rëër në bε̈ε̈i ke aγeer në
	bεi dit yic ku në bεi kor yic.
Many community members expressed particular concern about the way mainstream media perpetuated negative stereotypes and perceptions of African Australians:	Aye koc juëc lueel, ya ka naŋ koc ye kaŋ caal wël ci akuma ke luel,ku wël yi koc ke gaam,keek acë la cök apiεth
	ëtaŋ wວວk,ke wວ ye Aprikïn tວັ
	Athuralya:
All I hear now in the newspapers is that we are criminals and that we are gangs	Kë ya piŋ athör wël yam yiic, yemënë aye lueel anaŋ wɔk kɔc jɔl ku wɔk ye
and we should go home. Politicians should be very careful about what they	cath akuut, ku wok yeke cop buk lo
say because they are very powerful.	në bεεi kuວ yiic. Κος mες to akuma

Community focus group	yic api <i>ɛ</i> th bïk ka ye kä lueel ya muknhïïm api <i>ɛth n</i> ë w <i>ɛlken aa ril areet.</i> Akut tueŋ akutnhom
This was seen by many as a major hurdle to acceptance and inclusion in the broader Australian community, as well as a 'trigger' for incidents of physical and verbal abuse of African Australians.	Kënë acë tïŋ në kວc juëc kaye gäm, kວc gël pan Athuralya, ku ee jଁା de
	guວັp, ku ໄຮ໊ຣັt de thok cວໄ abວ໊ tënë
	Aprikïn tວ່ Athuralya.
Several community leaders stressed the need for African Australians to become better informed about how the Australian media works and to engage with it constructively. A key focus was to	Aye bäny akutnhïïm lueel anaŋ ka piɛth bë Aprikïn tວັ Athuralya lɛ̈k të
promote the many positive contributions that African Australians make to the social, economic and cultural life of the country.	yenë cວວl wël lui thin, ku bïk röt piŋ këdë kek keek. Ke tueŋ ee bë ka piɛth
	ye Aprikïn tö Athuralya luöi baai, dhël
	ciεŋ, ku jεεk baai ku nyiεc rëër.

Discussion about the role of sport also featured in many consultations. It was seen as a way of promoting social inclusion and improving relationships, especially between young African Australians and the police:	Wε̈́t thuëëc acë bën nhial aya. Acë	
	yök ka ye ciɛŋ ëmat yic bɛ̃ɛ̃l, ku nyiëc	
	rëër, kaam riënthii Aprikïn tö	
	Athuralya ku apuruuk:	
In Sudan, if the police come to talk to you, you're in trouble. But here I am playing football with them and even beating them. Youth focus group	Pan Thudan, na bο apuruk bï bën jam kek yïïn, kë yïn tο kë ril nhom,. Ku tεεnë γεn e pol ke keek në kura, ku ya kοc duia piεth.	
	Akut riënthii tueŋ	
Young people said that playing sport helped them build a sense of belonging, form friendships, develop new skills and access other forms of support, such as homework assistance.	Acë riënythii lueel alä thuëëc ee keek col ëpol, ku yök kë röt koc math kenë keek, ku nyic kë ka yam, ku konykoony kok yikë keek yök thin, cëmëm kuoony de kuën ye la looi baai.	
Next steps	Amεεt kok	Dinka- File11.mp 3

After hearing directly from African Australians through In our own words , the Commission has identified a number of ways to move forward.	Wën cï wວk jal piŋ tënë aprikïn tວັ
	Athuralya kë wວວk röt, wວk acë dhຬັl
	juëc bëi bei bï ɣok la tueŋ kenë keek.
The First Voice	Röl Tueŋ
Projects such as this cannot be done 'to communities' - they need to be done in partnership with communities, from the beginning. The methodology behind In our own words used an innovative and	Lon cït kënë acë piɛth bë rot looi 'akutnhïïm yiic' – apiɛth bë ke looi kë
inclusive model from the outset.	wວ mɛ̈t kenë akutnhïïm, göl de yic. Të
	ye luວi rວt në wວວk röt, ee kënë wຬັt
	yam bຮໍຮັi nhial, ku dhël ëmat yic mën

	yen rot gol.	
Citizen-driven change and policy	Löŋ ku wër looi koc röt	
While it is acknowledged that the national consultations did not reach all African Australians, the project was designed to include a fair representation across communities. This has produced an enhanced project and final resources.	Në kaam ŋot ee loŋditë kë ken guo Aprikin Athuralya deer, kë ye lone ee loi ku bë raan ebën mat thin,ku yikë koc ke akutnhiim ci keek kuany kedhiεi,ku juiir käk ke luoi kedhiεi.	
A solid evidence-base	Nyuoth de käŋ ci juir to.	
This project has created a reliable evidence base which enables policy makers across government and non- government spheres to develop more responsive policy and programs and properly target service delivery models.	Lon kenë ee ke ka juec bei, ku nyoth ka juec në biäk de akuma, ku bë bai cok lວ tueŋ kenë ciɛŋ piɛth, ku loiloi, ku kök juec ka ke luວi.	
A focus on best practice	Τ៩៉ε៉u nhom ke piεth yic/Lon kë piεth	
People from culturally, linguistically and religiously diverse communities contribute to Australia in social, economic and cultural terms. Gathering information about initiatives that have worked well and understanding the success factors has been a central part of this project.	Kວc naŋ ciɛŋ loi, ku thok loi, ku nhialic door keek kök aa Athuralya	

	kuɔny në ciεŋ, ku nyiεc rëër, ka kök
	ciɛŋ.cək ca lə tueŋ,ku luəi piɛth,ku nyiɛc piɛŋ de rət,në piath de ye luəi kenë.
Priority areas of action	
	ິ∛ວ໊n tueŋ k₀r lu₀i
African Australians have identified areas require urgent action include:	ິ່¥ວັn cï Aprikïn tວັ Athuralya lueel alä
	ka kər luəi anaŋ yiic:
racism and discrimination	• Atekthok de gup, në koc yiic
child protection and family violence	 Tiët ee nyin de mïth, ku toŋ ke baai
 increasing legal 'literacy', particularly in and around family law. 	 Juëk de 'piööc në loŋ de lööŋ,' löŋ thiääk kenë baai.
Holistic and integrated response	Kë cë rot piŋ ebën ku cë rot gam
Collective responsiveness lies at the heart of progressing issues for African Australians. An integrated approach to issues that across government and non-government sectors can seek to develop	Pïŋ këdɛ̃ naŋ kɔc ebën tɔ̃ eke ye

individual-focused policy, programs and service with better outcomes for citizens.	Aprikïn Athuralya looi yiic. Dhël ëmat yic tënë ka loi e loŋ akuma, ku koc kök ce koc ke akuma akor bïk kë de raan ye tok looi, ku loi kë lon bë kë piɛth bɛ̃ɛ̃i ënaŋ koc.
Learning from the National Human Rights Consultation Report	Daai kë cï Koc Akut Yic de Raan Lueel yiic
There is a critical need to improve cross- cultural competence and awareness for all Australians. A logical place to begin is with public servants, who can then lead by example. Communities such as African Australians would then be supported by enhanced programs and services that are more culturally-appropriate and responsive to their needs.	Akor bë käk ke ciɛŋ cök, ku bë ka ke nyic de baai nyic thok ebën. Të piɛth bï ye gol thïn aa koc lui kenë akuma, bïk koc nyuöth dhël. Akutnhïïm cëmën Aprikïn Athrralya, aabë jal kuony bë luoi jal lo tueŋ, kenë konykoony ke ciɛŋ nyic, ku nyic kë ke kor koc.
Learning from the past	Wët de kë cë rot looi thεεr
All waves of migrants through Australia's history, including African communities, have experienced discrimination and everyday forms of racism. We need to learn from the past and commit to combating racism and discrimination head on. The Commission plays an important role on this front and a	Abaköök ci bën Athuralya thεεr, agut Aprikïn aacë yaaŋ yök, ku tiεεl de guǝp. Apiεth buk piöc në ka thεεr, ku them ku, buk tiεεl nyaai kenë atekthok, ku puc. Akut kënë eeluǝi dït, ku luǝi kǝc ke dhie kǝc kǝr yen.

collaborative approach is required.	
Future work of the Commission	Lon aköl cëën akut de luoi
The Commission has two priority focus areas which will form the basis of its future activities:	Akut luoi anaŋ käŋ ka rou bë looi bë yaa käk luonde:
 violence, harassment and bullying in the community 	 toŋ, bui de guop, ku aguεεr akutnhom yic
 know your rights: promoting community understanding of human rights and responsibilities 	 ku nyic yidu: bë akutnhom col nyic yic de mεnh raan, ku luoiden thïn
Project review	Ber wël yiic
It is hoped that within 12 months after the release of In our own words , the Commission will report back to the Australian Government. Input from African Australians will be sought.	Aye ŋວ່ວັth areet në pɛi yiic ke 12 yiic
	<mark>të në bïï</mark> 'Wɛ̈́lkuɔ wɔɔk röt yiic' bei, kë
	akut lon ee abë jam kenë akuma Athuralya. Aprikïn Athuralya aabë k∍r
	bïk wëlken mat thïn.

Find out more		
	Gör ka juëc kök	
This guide to <i>In our own words</i> is only a summary. It has been translated into several community languages and plain English.	Athör ë anyooth 'Wɛïlkuວ wວວk në	
	röt'yen ëkënë aace wël ebën. Acë waar yic në thok juëc akutnhïïm ku thoŋ de k₀c γer ci war në thok yic.	
The Commission's website includes a wide range of information about the project, the national consultations and public submissions, as well as many examples of good practice approaches to supporting and assisting African Australian communities. A literature review and three background papers are also available.	Ku të yi maapath ka ke luoi yök thin,kenë käk ke akutnhom de baai ëbën,ku jol ya nyooth de lon piɛth,ku ka ke kuony,bik ke yin Aprikin Athuralya,ci man de käk ke thukuul,ku luoi de juir athöre de gäät to kë läu.	
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