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## ABORIGINAL DEATH AT FULHAM PRISON

The Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS) Management and Chief Executive Officer Mr Wayne Muir, wishes to express our sincere condolences and sympathies to the family, friends and extended community members of the deceased.

VALS Chief Executive Officer noted his concern that the VALS was not notified of the death in custody from the Prison or Corrections Victoria.

“We believe that is an appalling state of affairs and needs to be rectified” commented Mr Muir.

Further, the VALS calls on the Victorian government to revisit all of the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADIC) and to report annually to the State parliament on the implementation of the RCIADIC recommendations.

The VALS understands that the Coroner will be conducting an investigation in the upcoming weeks and we look forward to reviewing the outcomes from the investigation to advocate for the health, well-being and safety of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander inmates across the state of Victoria

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