

amendments to the Native Title Act (*Fin R*, 28 Jan, p7)*.

Lois O'Donoghue, in her first speech since retirement from ATSIIC, warned that the Sydney 2000 Olympics could be disrupted if Aboriginal rights were undermined. She said Wik should not be regarded as a source of alarm but a 'creative opportunity to break out of the national impasse on indigenous issues'.(WA, 30 Jan, p4)*

The National Farmers Federation want certainty in the form of validation of pastoral leases although they have moved away from their initial call for extinguishment of native title.(Age, 31 Jan, p5)

The Foreign Minister's request for a human rights clause in an international trade agreement with the EU to be removed raised concern that the Government may be preparing for amendment to the Racial Discrimination Act (WA, 31 Jan, p6).*

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Blackshield, S. 'Crescent Head Native Title Agreement', *Aboriginal Law Bulletin* Vol 3, no. 88, January 1997: 9. The author describes the history and outcome of the agreement which involves the first successful resolution of a claim under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwth).

Willhelm, E., 'Queensland pastoral leases and native title: *Wik Peoples v Queensland*. Casenote', *Aboriginal Law Bulletin*, Vol 3, no. 89, February 1997: 23-26. The article provides an overview of the High Court case of 23 December 1996 which found that native title and pastoral leases may co-exist.

Galarwuy Yunupingu (ed.), *Our Land is Our Life: Land Rights Past Present and Future*, University of Queensland Press, St. Lucia Qld., 1997. This edited collection of papers written by Indigenous Australians was launched by the Governor-General in February.

Deane, Sir William, Governor-General, *Some Signposts from Daguragu. The Inaugural Vincent Lingiari Memorial Lecture*, Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation, AGPS, 1997. The speech was delivered on 22 August 1996 at the Northern Territory University, Darwin to mark the 30th anniversary of the 1966 Wave Hill Strike.

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