# First Nations Regional Dialogue

## Dubbo, 17-19 February 2017

0:08 - Deirdre Naden: So the dialogue here in Dubbo today

0:10 - Deirdre Naden: Has been interesting

0:12 - Deirdre Naden: It has opened my eyes to a lot of other things that

0:17 - Deirdre Naden: I wasn’t aware of from other communities

0:19 - Deirdre Naden: What’s happened in Dubbo has opened up

0:22 - Deirdre Naden: a door for everyone to have the opportunity to speak

0:27 - Fred Hooper: We have a huge number of voices

0:29 - Fred Hooper: Saying different things in Dubbo and bringing out

0:32 - Fred Hooper: a lot of issues that needs to raised at the national level

0:36 - Fred Hooper: You know Dubbo has been a really good experience for not only me

0:39 - Fred Hooper: but a lot of people that are participating in the dialogue as well

0:45 - Veronica Bird: The dialogue has given us an opportunity

0:48 - Veronica Bird: here in regards to taking our position to Uluru

0:52 - Veronica Bird: But it also means that I can now go back to my family, to my community

1:00 - Veronica Bird: And say this has what’s been put forward

1:03 - Veronica Bird: One of the most important things that’s been said

1:05 - here was that they saw treaty as a way of achieving reform within the constitution

1:14 - Fred Hooper: There needs to be a dialogue around the benefits of what a treaty can do for Aboriginal people

1:21 - Deirdre Naden: Aboriginal people have been divided for a long time

1:25 - Deirdre Naden: But I see our power through education and sharing our knowledge and moving forward

1:31 - Deirdre Naden: Government’s now given us an opportunity to come together as people

1:35 - Deirdre Naden: What do you want? What do the Aboriginal people want from Australia?

1:42 - Deirdre Naden: I’m hoping we can move forward

1:44 - Deirdre Naden: And we can unite