

# **Assessment of Policing in Remote Indigenous Communities**

## **Terms of Reference**

### **Objective**

To assess and report on the issues and priorities in policing remote Indigenous communities.

### **Purpose and outcomes**

The outcomes of this assessment will be presented in a report to the Australian Government, and are intended to be used to:

- assist in understanding the policing required to address law and order issues in specific remote areas; and
- inform the ongoing development and implementation of effective and appropriate policy and measures on those issues.

### **Scope**

The assessment will include remote areas selected from within the following: the Northern Territory (excluding Alice Springs and Darwin); remote areas of South Australia; Western Australia (excluding the south-west) and the north and north west of Queensland. Criteria for selection of locations will be established in consultation with FaCSIA.

### **Methodology**

The methodology will be further developed by the selected consultant, in light of information and data from the relevant State and Territory Governments.

The analysis should

- quantify and assess the nature and extent of current police presence;
- identify and describe gaps with respect to current and emerging priorities, needs and expectations; and
- include consideration of factors such as population, remoteness, rate of crime, other local circumstances and any other relevant issues.

The assessment will include consultation with State and Territory jurisdictions, Australian Government agencies, other organisations/bodies (including police unions), and communities, as necessary.

Relevant States and Territories would be consulted and invited to cooperate as necessary.

### **Deliverables**

Reporting requirements will include data reports and a final report.

### **Timeframe**

Commencement is as soon as practicable and should be delivered as each community or regional assessment is completed.