MCOTS response to Multicultural Framework Review Report:

Towards Fairness: A multicultural Australia for all

The Multicultural Council of Tasmania (MCOT) welcomes the release of the Multicultural Framework Review Report released earlier this week. The report's recommendations reflect progressive steps in line with key recommendations found in MCOT's submission, as well as recommendation outlined in our 2023 strategic directions report to inform Tasmania's Multicultural Action Plan.

The full implementation of these recommendations will lay a strong foundation to support the diversity, inclusion, and economic prosperity of our vibrant multicultural nation. These recommendations are pivotal in ensuring that every Australian, regardless of their background, has the opportunity to contribute to and benefit from Australia's growth.

MCOT acknowledges the Government's commitment to the framework principles outlined in the report. We eagerly anticipate the Government providing a clear path forward for the implementation of these recommendations. A comprehensive implementation strategy is crucial to translate the report's vision into reality, driving tangible improvements in the lives of multicultural communities across Australia

Among the key recommendations, MCOT strongly encourages the establishment of a Multicultural Affairs Commission and Commissioner, as well as a standalone Department of Multicultural Affairs, Immigration, and Citizenship, headed by a dedicated Minister. These structural changes are essential to ensure focused and sustained attention to multicultural issues at the highest levels of government.

MCOT, alongside its members and partners, is ready to work in genuine partnership with the State and Federal Government. By collaborating closely, we can support the implementation of the review recommendations and achieve practical, meaningful, and sustainable change. Together, we aim to deliver better outcomes for all Australians, fostering a more inclusive, fair, and prosperous society.

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