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Hon Jane Aagaard MLA Committee Chair
Ms Fran Kilgariff Co-Chair

13 December 2010

New Committee meets to set the Agenda for 2011

Members of the Northern Territory Constitutional Convention Committee (NTCCC) convened for the first time today in Darwin.

Committee Chair Jane Aagaard welcomed the attendance of the members from across the Northern Territory as well as the participation of nationally recognised constitutional law expert Professor George Williams who is also a member of the Committee.

Mrs. Aagaard said: “Today’s meeting was an agenda setting exercise. The Committee will brief the media on its plans at its next meeting to be held in Darwin on 20 January 2011.”

The Members of the Constitutional Convention Committee (NTCCC) are:

- **The Hon Jane Aagaard MLA** (Chair) is the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and the Chair of the Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs and is a former Chair of the Statehood Steering Committee.
- **Ms Fran Kilgariff** (Co-Chair) is the former Mayor of Alice Springs and a senior Territory public servant.
- **Ms Lynette De Santis** from the Tiwi Islands is an active community member and the Mayor of Tiwi Islands Shire.
- **Ms Kezia Purick MLA** is the Member for Goyder. The Member for Brennan, Peter Chandler represented Ms Purick at the meeting today.
- **Mr John Rawnsley** a former Deputy Mayor is a Councilor on Alice Springs Town Council and is a Manager for Desert Knowledge Australia.
- **Ms Marion Scrymgour MLA** is the Parliamentary Secretary for Territory 2030.
- **Mr Matthew Storey** is the President of the Northern Territory Law Society, and a solicitor in the Aboriginal Land Division at the Solicitor for the Northern Territory.
- **Professor George Williams** is the Anthony Mason Professor and Foundation Director of the Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law at the University of New South Wales.

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