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MALU LAMAR 21st PRESCRIBED BODY CORPORATE IN THE TORRES STRAIT

Malu Lamar, meaning deep water spirit, was appointed as the Registered Native Title Body Corporate (RNTBC) for Part A of the Sea Claim after an order by Justice Greenwood of the Federal Court of Australia on 26 June 2014.

Part A of the Sea Claim covers approximately 40,000 square kilometres of Torres Strait waters.

The TSRA Chairperson, Mr Joseph Elu, said the Sea Claim is an essential part of protecting and maintaining the traditional rights exercised in the seas of the Torres Strait.

“We were pleased to have the Federal Court of Australia appoint Malu Lamar as the region’s 21st Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC),” Mr Elu said.

“The creation of this new PBC will enable Native Title communal property rights to interact meaningfully with Australian property law.

“The role of this new PBC is to ensure legal certainty for any parties wishing to negotiate, conduct business or make agreements with the traditional owners.”

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