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## BRISBANE 2032 PRESIDENT MEETS WITH FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES

First Nations Peoples will play a central role in planning with the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organising Committee (Brisbane 2032) after the President held his first official stakeholder meetings with some of the Yuggera and Turrbal Elders ahead of the second Board meeting today.

Brisbane 2032 President Andrew Liveris AO said he was determined to ensure the relationship with First Nations Peoples started on the right foot and thought it was particularly relevant for this first stakeholder meeting to occur during National Reconciliation Week.

"I had the honour of meeting with some of the Elders from the Yuggera and Turrbal Peoples yesterday, where we were able to introduce ourselves and start the conversation about how we can partner together," Mr Liveris said.

"We have the benefit of a 10-year planning and implementation horizon and I want to ensure that our First Nations Peoples are front of mind in the delivery process of the Organising Committee's activities," he said.

Mr Liveris said yesterday's meetings were the first of many to come as the Board will travel across Queensland, meeting with the First Nations People of each region as they go, along with local communities and other key stakeholders.

"We will spend our initial years listening to, and learning from, all community groups and key stakeholders as to their aspirations and priorities for Brisbane 2032.

"We will incorporate as many ideas and suggestions as possible in our planning so the Queensland community that backed us to win Brisbane 2032 ultimately reaps the rewards and benefits," he said.

Mr Liveris said their first roadshow meeting was kicking off in the Host City, Brisbane, and he was grateful for the support of The Right Hon. Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner, who is a passionate advocate for the city.



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"We appreciate the Lord Mayor hosting our Board meeting at City Hall today. The Lord Mayor has already shared deep insights into the potential and capability that this beautiful city has to offer, and I'm looking forward to working with Brisbane City Council to deliver their Brisbane 2032 aspirations."

Mr Liveris said the Board had been busy over the past two months establishing the Organising Committee and had a full agenda scheduled ahead of today's meeting.

"I would like to personally thank the Queensland Premier, Annastacia Palaszczuk, for her support in getting the Organising Committee up and running by enabling initial resources, including people, systems, processes and office space.

"We have already established critical Board subcommittees for People and Remuneration, and Finance and Audit, ensuring we're able to operate efficiently and with due diligence.

"The process for recruiting the CEO is well underway with the Request for Quote now closed, and we will be in market shortly.

"We're also pleased to welcome the new Australian Olympic Committee President, Ian Chesterman AM, to the Board for his first meeting today and we look forward to having his extensive skills and expertise on the Board moving forward," Mr Liveris said.

Over the following months Mr Liveris will be meeting with past and present Organising Committees, the International Olympic Committee and other international representatives to ascertain the lessons learned and bring them back for incorporation into Brisbane 2032 planning.

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