To Whom It May Concern

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re - Message from Mungo (Ronin Films)

The documentary Message from Mungo was launched in Mildura on September 12, 2014. The film was made by Andrew Pike of Ronin Films and Ann McGrath of the Australian National University, in close consultation with the three traditional tribal groups (3TTG) of the Mungo region (Muthi Muthi, Ngiampaa and Barkindji/Paakinji). They obtained the full approval and support of the Elders Council of the Willandra Lakes World Heritage area.

The film was made over a period of 9 years. It tells the significant national story of the period in which Mungo Woman was discovered at Lake Mungo in 1969 up until her remains were returned to 1993. This story is told through interviews with the different people involved, including the scientists, local farmers and the Aboriginal community members.

It’s a story that we are pleased to say affirms the importance of our heritage and history. It also records the way we have struggled hard to gain a meaningful role in managing this heritage. We are proud that our efforts culminated in the return of Mungo Lady’s remains. To the scientists this is the earliest known human cremation in the world; to us it is our ancestor.

It was always our dream that this documentary would be shown on television. We are very keen for this film to be seen as widely as possible. As representatives of the three tribal groups of this region in New South Wales, we request for it to be broadcast on ABC and NITV.

We would greatly appreciate your support and assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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