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Below: The Darwin Sun, May 5, 2004, p. 1

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over three hours, said that he was provided with the ARSIC this financial year to help him to develop a business plan for his project. He said that he had applied for funding from the ADF and the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources, and was awaiting a response. Mr. Turner said that he had been in contact with the NSW Rural Fire Service and the NSW State Emergency Service regarding the proposed development. He said that he had applied for a fire permit from the NSW Fire and Emergency Services Board and was awaiting a response. Mr. Turner said that he had applied for a fire permit from the NSW Fire and Emergency Services Board and was awaiting a response.

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estimated 100 residents. He says the residents had lost faith in the Aboriginal Development Foundation (ADF) - the holder of the perpetual special lease to the land. Mr Timberlake accuses the ADF and its executive director, Bernard Valladon, of planning to evict residents because they think the camp is a "nuisance". The ADF has received no indication from the state government that it plans to remove the park's residents. Mr Timberlake says the camp is a "nuisance" because it has been used by drug dealers and by people who have been arrested for drug dealing. He says the camp is a "nuisance" because it has been used by drug dealers and by people who have been arrested for drug dealing.

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- ❖ No dispossesion of Aboriginal Land!
- ❖ Restore the Racial Discrimination Act!
- ❖ Consultation, engagement and partnership,  
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- ❖ Defend the rights of the OMD Community!

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