**Regional Example**

**Statement of Intent**

between the

**The** **Northern Territory Government and**

**(name of organisation/group/region)**

This **Statement of Intent** recognises the vision and aspiration of the (name….) to build a stronger, prosperous and inclusive region for current and future generations. Responding to the economic and social challenges facing the region and making the most of new opportunities, is dependent on the determination and leadership of the local community. It acknowledges the strongest asset in the (….) region is its people. Importantly, it recognises the ongoing connection of Aboriginal people (group name) to country as traditional owners and custodians of the land. We welcome the opportunity for the involvement of Aboriginal (group name) leaders and communities in shaping the (…. name of agreement) to ensure all aspects of the following commitments meet our aspirations and priorities.

To support the vision and aspiration of the (group name), we will work with the Northern Territory Government and commit to:

(examples)

* **Working together** with the (….) communityto design and implement a (name of agreement) that supports the economic growth and social development of the (….) region
* **Placing local priorities** at the centre of the (name of agreement)by working and partnering with the local community, including business leaders, youth and investors
* **Supporting local Aboriginal leadership** to improve social and economic outcomes in recognition of their ongoing connection to country as traditional owners and custodians of the land.

The priority areas for the (name of agreement) include:

(examples)

**Economic development**

* Investing in local job creation
* Promoting business growth and attraction in tourism, agribusiness and mining
* Attracting industry investment
* Developing a local workforce strategy.

**Social development**

* Addressing overcrowding and increasing the supply of housing
* Strengthening family functioning and wellbeing
* Improving education and training outcomes
* Strengthening community safety
* Improving the collaboration, coordination and accountability of services across the region.

**Cultural recognition**

* Strengthening community governance and Aboriginal cultural leadership
* Co-design of communities relating to local amenity and investing in community infrastructure
* Promoting and marketing local events and businesses.

All parties agree that the (name of agreement) will be developed with consultation, engagement and joint-decision making with local Aboriginal people, including through the (group name).

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