



**AI Australia National Board Report
for meeting held on 23 March 2021**

Abbreviations and acronyms: AI = Amnesty International; AI Australia = Amnesty International Australia; AMT = AI Australia’s Management Team; IS = International Secretariat of Amnesty International; AGM = Annual General Meeting; ALCs = Activism Leadership Committees; AMC = Activism & Membership Committee; ARC = Audit & Risk Committee; IIC = International Issues Committee.

Agenda item	Information / Report
Minutes of past meetings	The minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2021 were confirmed.
Management reports	<p>The National Director presented the monthly management update as well as the February 2021 finance report.</p> <p>Key campaign highlights from March included:</p> <p>Individuals at Risk /International</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trained and mentored a representative delegation of five people from Myanmar to successfully advocate to 22 politicians over two days in Canberra in March. Achieved significant direct outcomes including establishing formal links between the elected government of Myanmar and the Australian Government. • Following our successful campaign for Kirin to divest from their joint venture with the Myanmar Military, (establishing precedent for more campaign success in delegitimizing the Tatmadaw), we saw Woodside suspend operations and mobilised the diaspora for further corporate campaigning. Also achieved a long called for extinguishment of Australian/Myanmar military cooperation. <p>Anti-Racism/My New Neighbour</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launched the Anti-Racism strategy joint campaign push with Australian Human Rights Commission and Indigenous leader Paul Briggs, and mobilised community events in key target Immigration Minister Alex Hawke’s electorate.



	<p>Community Is Everything</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rear guard action against Queensland Government's attempts to pass draconian legislation targeting Indigenous children. <p>Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4240 media pieces in this period mentioning Amnesty with a 60.6% share of voice. • Coverage of the military coup in Myanmar and subsequent violent attacks on peaceful protesters continued throughout the period. • Amnesty International Australia led the global movement on condemning Facebook's news ban. <p>Operations</p> <p>The new Enterprise Agreement was approved on 4th March. Interviews for a full-time Diversity, Inclusion and Wellbeing Specialist have been completed.</p>
<p>2021 Annual General Meeting resolutions deadline</p>	<p>The deadline for Annual General Meeting resolutions to be received by the Company Secretary will be 12 June 2021.</p>
<p>Board committee minutes</p>	<p>The Board noted the minutes of the Activism and Membership Committee meeting held on 3 February, the minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on 1 March 2021 and the minutes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 18 February 2021.</p>
<p>Membership of 16 and 17-year-olds</p>	<p>The Board supports the principle of creating a separate category of membership for 16 and 17 year olds, with no membership fee. It recognised that there are risks associated with doing this, and asked the National Director to investigate the feasibility of membership for 16 and 17 year olds, as well as the extent of our current work with children and the adequacy of our protection policy framework.</p>
<p>YAG report</p>	<p>The Board noted the Youth Advisory Group 2020 annual report, which was tabled as mandated by the 2019 Youth Activism Resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>Directors thanked and commended the Youth Advisory Group for their work.</p>
<p>Next meeting</p>	<p>The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 April 2021.</p>