

## **FUNDING - ABA**

The statutory activities of the Central Land Council are funded in accordance with Sections 63 and 64 of the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*.

Section 63 of the Act provides for amounts, equivalent to royalties received by the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments in respect of mining interests on Aboriginal land, to be paid to the Aboriginals Benefit Reserve from the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Section 64(1) and 64(7) of the Act determine the funding available to individual land councils from the Aboriginals Benefit Reserve.

Under section 64(1) of the Act the Central Land Council receives 14 per cent of payments into the Aboriginals Benefit Reserve.

The Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs approves funding under section 64(7) of the Act for the purpose of meeting administrative costs that land councils are unable to meet from other monies that are available to them.