

Suruwaha statements re Channel 7 film and infanticide

Giani Suruwaha:

The Australians arrived here... They arrived and they filmed the Suruwaha. And then, they lied about us... They filmed a lot. They filmed the Suruwaha and then they left... They arrived in their country and they lied about us... They said, 'The Suruwaha kill their children.' The Suruwaha don't kill children nowadays. A long time ago, there were cases of infanticide, but nowadays, the Suruwaha don't kill children.

This message is for JOCUM [fundamentalist missionary organization]. Why are you treating the Suruwaha badly? The Suruwaha don't treat their children badly. It's the JOCUM people who treat people badly. And the Australians too. The Suruwaha don't treat children badly.

Aniumariu Suruwaha (Muwaji's father)

Our people do not kill children any more. People look after each other.

Ania Suruwaha:

They're lying about us, because we don't kill children. Paul and Tim lied. They took the footage they filmed here far away, to show JOCUM and to lie about us.