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## **Buru's Operations in the Kimberley**

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Buru is aware of reports in the media in relation to the disturbance of an area of potential archaeological significance during preparations for the conduct of a geophysical survey in the vicinity of the Company's Ungani operations in the Canning Basin.

All of Buru's operations, including in this area, are conducted after heritage clearances are obtained from the Traditional Owners. There are no sites registered with the Department of Indigenous Affairs in the area of the alleged disturbance.

This particular work was conducted following extensive consultation with the Nyikina Mangala people over a period of nine months and has included on-ground monitoring by the Traditional Owners.

Buru takes particular care to ensure that its activities do not disturb registered sites or areas of cultural significance that are brought to our attention.

Details of the Traditional Owners' concerns were only provided to Buru yesterday, 25 October 2012, although the incident is understood to have occurred around a week ago. As soon as Buru was made aware of the concerns, operations ceased in the area in question and the Company will not conduct any further work in that area until all investigations are complete.

The Company is undertaking its own investigation of the incident and is fully assisting in the undertaking of an independent investigation of the incident by the Department of Indigenous Affairs proposed by the Traditional Owners.

A further statement will be made once more information is available.

Further information on the Company is available at: [www.buruenergy.com](http://www.buruenergy.com)

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