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SA COUNTRY COUNCILS NEED HELP TO CLEAN UP FEDS NT MESS

Country councils should get Federal help to look after indigenous people escaping the Howard Government's takeover of Northern Territory their communities says the Democrats lead SA Senate candidate Ruth Russell.

"The Coober Pedy, Ceduna and Port Augusta Councils are reporting an influx of Aboriginal people from the Northern Territory."

"That shows that the Howard government is just shifting the problem instead of solving it."

"The Coober Pedy and Ceduna councils are very small - they should get federal funds to make sure they can provide adequate services to the indigenous people moving into their area."

"The migration of Aboriginal people out of the Northern Territory just goes to show that stunts like military takeovers do not work."

"The Democrats have always argued that the only long term solution is to respect and work with Aboriginal communities," said Ms Russell.

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