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ABORIGINAL CHILDREN – AUSTRALIA’S STOLEN GENERATION

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Many methods were used to _____ Aboriginal babies and children from their families. Children were simply taken away by government _____ and later told that they were _____. Mothers often were given _____ to sign. They could not read or write and they were told it was some kind of _____ programme. Others were taken to hospitals and never seen by their families again. In most cases, rich white families were given money to bring them up. Some went to orphanages or church _____.

In 1995 an _____ was stated to bring more truth to the topic. The government however did not _____ to the victims. The new Prime Minister Kevin Rudd was the first Australian _____ to make a formal apology to the Aborigines in 2008. However, he also said that the government would not give any money to the _____. He claimed that it was in the interests of government to _____ the children in the best way.

Up to now only one _____ of Australia's Stolen Generation has received money from the government. Bruce Trevorrow was taken to hospital on Christmas Day in 1957. His father never saw him again and the government sent him to a white _____ family. He came back to his mother when he was ten years old. In his further life he _____ from depression and turned to alcohol. In 1998 he went to court and _____ in getting about 500,000 dollars from the Australian government as a form of compensation.

There are many others in Australia who have suffered the same _____. Organizations are being set up to work for the _____ of the Aborigines and to make sure that nothing like this ever happens again.

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