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TITLE	Police Racist Violence and Deaths in Custody Street Rally : Brisbane 25 August 1987 : Camera Tape 1
ACCESSION NUMBER	V09466_2
COLLECTION NAME	ATSIC_001
DEPOSITOR	Department of Social Services
PRODUCTION YEAR	1987
CREDITS (if applicable)	
PERFORMERS/SPEAKERS	Charles Perkins, Mervyn Riley, Vanessa Fisher, Rosemary Wanganeen, Bertie Button
PLACE	Brisbane (SE Qld SG56-15)
LANGUAGE/GROUP	
SERIES (if applicable)	
TECHNICAL NOTES	Video file (MP4): sound, colour
REPRODUCTION NOTES	
ORIGINAL VERSION	Videocassette (UmaticS): sound, colour
TOTAL DURATION	19 min., 56 sec.
GRANT NUMBER (if applicable)	
NOTES	

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Brief abstract: Camera tape component of video compiled at V09466_1, documenting a street rally protesting Police racist violence against Aboriginal people in Brisbane on 25 August 1987. On the cusp of the Federal government's announcement of a Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, the rally formed to 'put a spotlight' on particular incidents in Brisbane where police had intervened apparently unnecessarily and excessively at Aboriginal organised social events; a football presentation night at Rosalie on 27 September 1986, and a 21st birthday party in an RSL hall at Annerley on 23 August 1987, that prompted the rally. The rally converged on the Queensland Police Department Headquarters, and an Indigenous delegation met with the Assistant Commissioner of Police, Terry McMahan. This led to a proposal for the establishment of a special police liaison unit in a bid to improve relations between police and Aboriginal people. Several key speakers remain to be identified. The end of the tape contains several minutes of unrelated out takes.

Important timing points:

00:00	No AIATSIS slate information
00:10	Shot of Brisbane City Hall Clock Tower approaching 11am.
00:15	Same shot pans down to broadcast media crews setting up in front of City Hall.

01:20	Shots of Indigenous people of all ages and Indigenous activists/rally speakers congregating at City Hall.
05:35	Charles Perkins addresses the media at the start of the rally. He is asked: "What are you planning to do today?" He replies: "We are going to march, in a particular direction, in a moment."
06:25	[Unidentified Indigenous Male] addresses the rally, as chairman of this meeting. He introduces Mervin Riley to speak.
07:05	Mervin Riley addresses the crowd.
08:40	Same [Unidentified Indigenous Male], chairman, addresses the rally.
09:05	[Unidentified Indigenous Male] youth, named Cyril, addresses the rally.
09:30	[Unidentified Indigenous Male], chairman, addresses the rally.
10:00	Charles Perkins addresses the rally.
12:10	[Unidentified Indigenous Male] addresses the rally, announcing that the rally will march on to the Queensland Police Department HQ to demand an explanation for Police racist violence from the Superintendent.
12:50	[Unidentified Indigenous Male], chairman, addresses the rally, introducing two Indigenous Female speakers to address the rally.
13:10	Vanessa Fisher addresses the rally.
14:25	Shot of placard that reads "21 Today, Dead Tomorrow. Stop Cop Harassment." Vanessa Fisher's address continues.
16:35	[Unidentified Indigenous Male] addresses the rally.
17:10	Rosemary Wanganeen addresses the rally.
18:05	End of Rally Footage.
18:10	Unrelated out-take footage.
19:56	End of tape.