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- A Lingiari RMT visited Darwin Correctional Centre where there is high incarceration rate from people from indigenous remote communities. Voters were able to be found easier on the roll and issued ORD votes rather than DEC votes because of this administrative arrangement.
- The Centre has 1048 beds for both male and female of all security ratings.
- Despite undertaking polling late (due to prison staffing shortages), the team managed to gain access to 90% of the population via escort between the various blocks. Polling ceased prior to the end of 'visiting hours' not impede on their normal end of day activities.
- Of the 10% not visited, a request by authorities for *low level* inmates to visit a polling place by bus was approved to visit the Darwin Polling Place. Voting occurred on the bus outside the polling place rather 'in' the polling place. The OIC was assisted by another electoral official and a guard and this appeared to work well.
- At each cell block visited, a script was read out by the OIC or by the accompanying Prison guards explaining the federal election, eligibility and the voting process. This seemed to work rather well and quickly sorted the audience into those who choose to vote and for others to carry on their usual business.
- >70% of the votes taken were "Assisted" votes.

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