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We Arabunna are the Traditional Caretakers of the Lake Eyre region in South Australia. Western Mining Corporation (WMC) is now pumping around 50 million liters of our sacred water a day. This water is pumped nearly 200 km's to one of the largest uranium mines in the world, which is situated in Roxby Downs. This is the Sacred Lands of our close relations the Kokatha people.

This desecration of our Sacred waters and land along with the pollution caused through the radioactive tailings and gasses that attend uranium, has sickened the people and animals that live in the surrounding country. When will we (Arabunna People) be allowed to live on our sacred lands, without being hassled, assaulted and moved on, yet again?

We welcome and look forward to this historic walk from Roxby Downs to Hiroshima, as a way for Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples from around the world to join together and expose the ongoing genocide caused by the nuclear industry. We must take action, on behalf of the Earth and all its inhabitants we must protect these sacred lands from the ongoing destruction of the nuclear industry. The old spirits are calling us all together, to connect from all corners of the world and bring an end to this continuing environmental destruction and genocide.

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