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Tribal groups to tour China

SYDNEY — A group of 10 Aboriginals left Sydney yesterday for a five-week tour of China as guests of the Chinese Government.

They are representatives of different Aboriginal tribal and fringe groups from every state except South Australia.

A spokesman for the group, Mr Gary Foley, said the tour was for cultural exchanges between the two peoples.

They had been invited by the China Peoples Association for Friendship of Foreign Countries, he said.

"We will be looking at conditions for minor groups in China and will show them a film about the Aboriginal 'embassy' in Canberra and its destruction," Mr Foley said.

"The Chinese want to encourage better understanding with the Aboriginals and I hope we can invite the Chinese as our guests one day."