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BRISBANE. — The Black Panther Party of Australia yesterday issued two pamphlets stating its programme and rules.

Both pamphlets, issued by the radical Black Power movement, show a ferocious black panther on the front page.

The rules pamphlet says Black Panthers are not allowed to have a weapon in their possession while drunk or "loaded with narcotics" and no party members was to "point or fire a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone".

It also says: "All Panthers must learn to operate and service weapons correctly."

The programme pamphlet calls for power to determine the destiny of the black people.

It also calls for full employment of black people and restitution of land and mineral rights for dispossessed black people and monetary restitution.

Slaughter

It says: "The Australian racist has taken part in the slaughter of over a quarter of a million black people — 75 per cent. of the total population and the total genocide of the Tasmanian blacks."

The pamphlet also calls for housing improvements and education, exemption from military service and "an immediate end to police brutality, murder and rape of black people".

It also calls for the release of all black people in gaol because they "had not received fair or impartial trials".

Copies of both pamphlets have been given to Aboriginal Senator Neville Bonner.

Senator Bonner said they appeared to be adapted copies of the Black Panther material obtained from America.

The Black Panther Party claims to have its central headquarters in Brisbane.

● In PERTH, the executive committee of the Aboriginal Advancement Council in WA yesterday banned the Black Power movement from using any premises owned or controlled by the council.

The ban means that the movement will be unable to hold meetings or use the facilities at the Aboriginal centre in Beaufort Street, Perth, or the two Perth hostels controlled by the council.