

HOWSON HITS BLACK POWER SIGN

CANBERRA, Friday. — The Federal Minister for Aborigines, Mr Howson, tonight attacked a protest on Aboriginal land rights being staged outside Parliament House by members of the Black Power movement.

He said, in a statement, that there was a disturbing undertone in the use by the protesters of a sign reading "Aboriginal Embassy."

This implied another sovereign State or separate development of the Aboriginal race in Australia. It cut across the Government's expressed objection to separate development and was kindred to apartheid.

The chairman of the Council for Aboriginal Affairs, Dr H. C. Coombs, said he would like to see Aborigines manage their own affairs.

He told a conference organised by the National Council of Aboriginal and Island Women in Canberra that Aborigines should not lose confidence in their own race.

Also at the conference Mr R. Grey, director of the Vanleer Aboriginal family education project at Sydney University called for the establishment of chairs of Aboriginal education at Australian universities.

BRISBANE, Friday. — A black national party is being planned for Australia—supporting the concept that Aboriginal people should undertake programs for themselves.

One of the organisers, Mr Tony Wilson, said that a number of Aborigines from urban and rural areas wanted to organise such a party.

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