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Airport Development Group Indigenous Training Academy Celebrates Graduation of Nine Indigenous Trainees

Airport Development Group (ADG) is proud to celebrate the achievements of nine Indigenous trainees who have successfully completed nationally recognised qualifications through the ADG Indigenous Training Academy. The program provides a unique combination of practical, on-the-job experience across airport operations and Darwin Airport Resorts, alongside formal training.

Delivered in partnership with the Institute of Skills and Training Australia and Saltbush Social Enterprises, and supported by Tanyah Nasir Consulting and Apprenticeships Australia, the program reflects ADG's commitment to building sustainable employment pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The program is guided by ADG's Indigenous Advisory Committee, which ensures a culturally safe and supportive environment for all participants.

This year's graduating trainees have completed qualifications across a range of fields:

- 5 trainees – Certificate III in Hospitality
- 1 trainee – Certificate IV in Information Technology and Networking
- 3 trainees – Certificate in Leadership and Mentoring

Eddie Fry, Chair of the ADG Indigenous Advisory Committee, praised the graduates for their dedication and the broader impact of the initiative:

“The success of this program lies not only in the qualifications earned but, in the confidence, pride, and leadership that each graduate now carries forward. The Indigenous Advisory Committee is honoured to support this next generation, strong, capable, and ready to contribute to the Territory's future.”

ADG extends its sincere thanks to all program partners and mentors who have helped support the success of the Indigenous Training Academy and congratulates the graduating cohort on their achievement.

These graduates represent the strength and talent within our communities and serve as an inspiration to others aspiring to a career in aviation, tourism, and operations across the Northern Territory.