1. The Mona Mona Reserve (the Reserve) is a Reserve for Departmental and Official Purposes of approximately 1600 hectares, located 25 kilometres from Kuranda and inside the World Heritage Wet Tropics Area. The Department of Communities is Trustee of the Reserve.
2. During the 2009 election campaign, the Government committed to re-examine the future land tenure for the Reserve. In mid-2009, an independent facilitator, Mr Grant Sarra, was engaged to assist Mona Mona people to work on a practical outcome, which addressed their desire to control the reserve, as a significant step towards their longer term aspirations.
3. Cabinet endorsed the Department of Communities to negotiate a 30-year Trustee lease over the Mona Mona Reserve with an incorporated entity representing the Mona Mona people.
4. Cabinet noted that the longer-term aspiration of the Mona Mona people is to secure ownership of the entire Reserve under inalienable freehold.
5. *Attachment*
* Nil.