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BLACKS OFF TO CHINA

SYDNEY. — Ten aborigines left Sydney yesterday for a five-week tour of China as guests of the Chinese Government.

They represent aboriginal tribal and fringe groups from every state except South Australia.

The group's spokesman, Mr Gary Foley, said the tour was for cultural exchange.

He said the China Peoples Association for Friendship of Foreign

Countries had invited the group.

"We will be looking at conditions of minority groups in China and will show them a film about the aboriginal embassy in Canberra and its destruction," he said.

"We will tell them things have not been all rosy for aboriginals since the Labor Government has been in power."