Two in court over the firebombing incident

Two Aboriginals appeared in the Darwin Court of Summary Jurisdiction yesterday on charges arising out of the firebombing of a truck at Kulaluk last Friday.

One of the men, Bobby Secretary, 55, pleaded guilty to disorderly behavior and was fined \$15 by Mr Roy Watson SM.

The other man, David Daniels, 50, pleaded not

guilty to a charge of being drunk in Ostermann Road, Nightcliff, on Friday.

He was granted bail of \$10 to appear in court again on July 19.

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Sergeant John Clift, prosecuting, said that on Friday at 10 am police went to an area near the Nightcliff drive-in known as Kulaluk.

They saw Secretary walking behind some civilians and waving a stick in the air.

When the police asked him what was happening he said: "Pisr off white men," and walked away.

When they told him to calm down he swore again and was arrested.

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Secretary said: "Judge Woodward been to this country."

"That bit of land shouldn't be theirs".

Mr Watson said: "You know you can't take the law into your own hands."

"Everything has to be done in the proper way."

Another man, Frederick Fogarty, appeared before Mr David McCann SM on Saturday charged with maliciously damaging a truck, assaulting a workman with a dog chain, assaulting a policeman with a dog chain and resisting arrest.

He left Darwin this week to go to the Labor MR McCANN

Party conference in Surfers Paradise to put his case for land rights.

The Larrakia tribe claim the area is a traditional camping site.

Mr Justice Woodward, the land rights Commissioner, and Mr Gordon Bryant, the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, visited Kulaluk last week.

