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**Between paternalism and indifference**

Parallel to the Aboriginal case of Australia I'm going to present a case story on Inuits or Eskimos of Greenland.

Until 1953 Greenland was a colony of the Royal Danish crown – meaning that a process of colonisation, danification, centralisation and exploitation of man and nature had taken place since the 15<sup>th</sup> Century. Social work and social pedagogy has been based on the values of the Danish society and thereby structural colonialism or oppression was supplied by a strong religious suppression. Since the beginning of the 1970'es it has been obvious that the "national" conflicts and contradictions between Danish and Inuit have been increasing as well as the "social" contradiction between Danish rulers and Inuit population.