

BURRUP PENINSULA, ROCK ART

**832. Hon LOUISE PRATT to Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE:**

I refer to the Burrup Peninsula (Crown Land) Bill 2002 and motion No 7. I also refer the member to the answer to a question asked in this place on 1 April when he said that he supports the development of a small portion on the western end of Intercourse Island as a lay-down area from Maitland and, subsequently, he supports a deep-water port facility. Therefore, I ask whether the member agrees with comments made by the Leader of the Opposition, Hon Colin Barnett, at the National Trust rock art forum yesterday that such a proposal would result in some disturbance and loss of rock art.

**Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE replied:**

I thank the member for the question. With regard to the obvious nature of disturbance due to any development on East Intercourse Island, I have stated that there would be minimal disturbance of artefacts and/or rock art sites in that area.