

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE ACT — EXISTING AGREEMENTS

435. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I have a supplementary question. I also spoke to the minister about the agreements between the state government, and he indicated that that work was still underway —

Dr A.D. Buti: The state government and what?

Ms M.J. DAVIES: The state government and the Yamatji Nation Indigenous Land Use Agreement and the south west native title settlement and I think the minister mentioned Esperance specifically. Can the minister advise whether that work has been completed, as he advised during estimates that it was underway?

The SPEAKER: That was a very lengthy supplementary but, minister, I ask you to respond.

Dr A.D. BUTI replied:

As a state government, we are genuine in our commitment to ensure that we preserve Aboriginal cultural heritage. We have engaged in numerous agreements with Aboriginal groups and that will continue. I do not see any problems under the new regime.