

BANKSIA HILL DETENTION CENTRE — PREMIER'S MEETING —  
PROFESSOR FIONA STANLEY'S COMMENTS

**801. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Premier:**

I have a supplementary question. Is it normal practice for the Premier's office to hold summits or meetings without taking formal minutes; and will he table his 21 pages of notes to resolve the issues that have arisen over the last couple of days?

**Mr M. McGOWAN replied:**

I do not know about the Leader of the Opposition but on a daily basis I would have maybe six separate meetings. On a daily basis, I would attend one or two functions, quite often have a press conference and attend numerous other things. There are not necessarily audio recordings or minutes taken of the meetings I have. I constantly have meetings; that is the nature of government. The only person I am aware of who recorded their meetings was Richard Nixon, and we all know what happened there.

I really do not know what the Leader of the Opposition is trying to get to. If the central point here is who said what at the meeting, I advised her before that Professor Stanley said she did not want a royal commission or further inquiries. She said she knows what needs to be done. That is what she said. The minister said he wants to employ more Aboriginal people in corrective services, particularly at Banksia Hill. Obviously, a range of recruitment issues are going on at the moment. He said that and he also said he wanted to employ people from the African community. He said that as well. The Leader of the Opposition would have to ask Professor Stanley why she is saying things publicly now that are totally contrary to what she said in the meeting.

*Visitors — Mary's Mount Primary School and Princess Jasmine, Princess Zhuri and Charlie Clarke*

**The SPEAKER:** On behalf of the member for Kalamunda, I would like to acknowledge and welcome the year 6 leadership team and their principal from Mary's Mount Primary School, Gooseberry Hill, to Parliament today and to my gallery.

Also, on behalf of the member for Murray–Wellington, I would like to welcome to the gallery guests of the member for Murray–Wellington, who have some interesting names: Princess Jasmine and Princess Zhuri from Harvey, who have just arrived from the Philippines.

I would also like to acknowledge, very importantly, Mr Charlie Clarke.