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PERTH STADIUM — WEST AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL COMMISSION

692. Mr P.B. WATSON to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

I ask a supplementary question. If there is no commitment to ensure that football is no worse off, is it the case that the minister has broken this pledge, or was the previous minister not telling the truth?

Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:

We are building a brand-new stadium —

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Just settle down, thank you. I do not know what was said and I do not want to know.

Mr P.B. Watson interjected.

The SPEAKER: Please, members.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: It is very simple: we are building a new stadium. The previous minister, the Premier and this state government kickstarted a process that had been sitting on the backburner, not being progressed by previous governments —

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Albany, I call you to order for the first time. A quick answer, minister.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: I am trying, Mr Speaker; I keep getting interrupted!

We are building a new stadium. We are working very productively with the West Australian Football Commission and its partners, and I expect that those negotiations will conclude and they will —

Several members interjected.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: I am not part of those conversations. All I can tell members is that the conversations that my team and this state government are having with football are robust, but they are going well, and we will have a new stadium by the 2018 AFL season.

Mr P.B. Watson interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Albany, I call you to order for the second time. Are you finished?

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Minister for Transport, I call you to order for the first time. Member for Albany, I am feeling sorry for you; I am not calling you for a third time!

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Warnbro, I call you to order for the second time.