

MINERALOGY PTY LTD AND INTERNATIONAL MINERALS — CLIVE PALMER

**558. Ms J.J. SHAW to the Attorney General:**

I refer to the urgent legislation that passed through this Parliament last week aimed at protecting Western Australians from claims made against the state by Clive Palmer, Mineralogy and International Minerals, and Mr Palmer's assertion in the media that it is not true that he is seeking almost \$30 billion in damages from the state. Can the Attorney General outline to the house whether Mr Palmer's assertion is correct?

**Mr J.R. QUIGLEY replied:**

I thank the member for Swan Hills for the question. I summarised Mr Palmer's claims in the second reading speech and said that the first damages claim amounted to almost \$30 billion and the second damages claim was unquantified. The Premier, of course, repeated that outside the chamber on several occasions. I nearly cut myself shaving when I was listening to the ABC news last week and heard Mr Palmer describe this assertion as bull excrement—to use a more refined term than he used on the radio in relation to those claims. I challenged Mr Palmer, or invited Mr Palmer, to release the arbitration papers, but he has declined to do so. He just repeated his assertion that it is bull excrement that there is a claim in for almost \$30 billion. I have here the apposite papers from his claim, "Applicant's Amended Statement of Issues, Facts and Contentions", which is on the cover sheet of his claim. Pages 89 to 93 of the claim is where he particularises his claim for damages. Most significantly, on page 93, it is signed in person by "Clive F. Palmer". I table that document from the statement.

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**Mr J.R. QUIGLEY:** I also seek to table a summary that I have made for the ease of all members in which I list the seven claims. Claims 1 to 6 total \$27.75 billion. Claims 6 and 7, being the second damages event, are unquantified. They have to be added to the \$27.75 billion; he has not quantified those yet. Interest is running at the rate of six per cent, so every day that passes, it goes up by \$1.83 million—that is, \$56.7 million a month. By the time the arbitration was scheduled to be heard, that would be a further \$226 million, and by the time it was concluded, that would be a further half a billion on top of that.

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**Mr J.R. QUIGLEY:** Mr Palmer has sought to deceive the public. In fact, by his own signature, Mr Palmer has marked himself beyond reasonable doubt as a liar—telling lies to the Western Australian public and the nation. Beyond reasonable doubt, he is a liar and he will always carry that reputation in Western Australia. He signed the document himself. This is not a document signed by a solicitor or someone acting on his behalf. He proudly signed it on 28 May 2020 under the name Clive F. Palmer. His signature is on the document. Beyond reasonable doubt, he is a liar. Not only is he trying to lift nearly \$30 billion—it might be over \$30 billion when that second claim is quantified—but he is also telling bald-faced lies to the Western Australian public and to the Australian public. He will go down in history as one of the rankest liars in litigation we have had in this state. We have proof beyond reasonable doubt now laying on the table of the Legislative Assembly.

That is what I have to say, member for Swan Hills, in relation to Mr Palmer's assertion that it is bull excrement that he is claiming nearly \$30 billion. It is just a rank lie.

**The SPEAKER:** Attorney General, did you want to table any more of those papers?

**Mr J.R. QUIGLEY:** I have tabled them; they were my copies to read from. I am sure the attendants have the copies already. They are both tabled.