

McGOWAN MINISTRY — CHINA AND JAPAN VISIT

Standing Orders Suspension — Motion

MS M.J. DAVIES (Central Wheatbelt — Leader of the National Party) [2.56 pm]: — without notice:
I move —

That so much of standing orders be suspended as is necessary to enable the following motion to be moved forthwith —

That this house condemns the government for absenting four ministers on a parliamentary sitting day, thereby avoiding public scrutiny and diminishing the ability of the opposition to hold the government to account.

I think we have seen today why there is a need for the government to agree to this motion. Absolute arrogance and contempt have been shown to this house today. Indeed, it has emerged over the past 16 weeks that this house has sat. Some examples of why we think this government needs to explain why, at its own instigation, it has arranged overseas travel —

Mr D.J. Kelly interjected.

The SPEAKER: Minister for Water, I call you to order for the first time.

Mrs L.M. Harvey interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Scarborough, you have one of your own side on her feet.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: Why has this government, presumably signed off by the Premier, arranged overseas travel for a number of its ministers on a day that Parliament is sitting, and during question time? I understand that one of the ministers chose to wait until after question time was completed to join the Premier and other ministers. I am not sure—I would like an explanation, and I am sure members of the opposition would too—why the rest of that delegation could not do the same thing. It is our job as the opposition to have the opportunity to scrutinise and raise issues during question time and in the house on behalf of the people of this state.

Today, a very simple question was asked of the Acting Premier, who was representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum. He was asked who the Minister for Mines and Petroleum had met with in consultation on the gold royalty—an issue that is contemporary and live today. Members would rightly expect that the opposition would ask questions about that in this place. He also asked how the minister came to the decision to introduce the new royalty hike. The Acting Premier was unable to answer that question and obfuscated in true pollie-speak. As we were having this debate, the Minister for Housing said, “It’s none of your business.” He said that we do not get to ask that question. How outrageous!

Mr P.C. Tinley interjected.

The SPEAKER: Minister for Housing, I call you to order for the first time.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: The arrogance of this government is being displayed by these ministers. The government has a significant majority in this house. With power comes great responsibility. The government sets the parliamentary schedule. Three ministers in this house and one minister in the other house have not turned up on a sitting day to make themselves available for the opposition to ask questions.

Yesterday, we had the farce of a minister who turned up but waffled through his answer. That is another example of this government not taking the role of this Parliament seriously. The Minister for Sport and Recreation was asked a very simple question yesterday, and he ended up talking about the Queen, for heaven’s sake! I watched that answer. This is the arrogance we are seeing from ministers. Ministers have been nothing but contemptuous of this Parliament. I do not know about other members in this place, but when members in the other chamber have asked questions, the response from the government has been, quite frankly, breathtaking. When we were in government and provided answers in the other place, they were delivered on time —

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr D.A. Templeman: Do you want to have the debate?

Ms M.J. DAVIES: Yes.

Mr D.A. Templeman: Then sit down and I will move an amendment.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: Thank you.

Standing Orders Suspension — Amendment to Motion

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MR D.A. TEMPLEMAN (Mandurah — Leader of the House) [3.00 pm]: I move —

To insert after “forthwith” the following —

, subject to the debate being limited to 15 minutes for government members and 15 minutes for non-government members

Amendment put and passed.

Standing Orders Suspension — Motion, as Amended

The SPEAKER: As this is a motion without notice to suspend standing orders, it will need an absolute majority in order to succeed. If I hear a dissentient voice, I will be required to divide the Assembly. The question is that the motion, as amended, be agreed to.

Question put and passed with an absolute majority.

Motion

MS M.J. DAVIES (Central Wheatbelt — Leader of the National Party) [3.01 pm]: I move the motion. I thank the government for agreeing to debate this very important issue. In question time today, three ministers, covering 12 portfolios, were not available for the opposition to ask questions. Although the Acting Premier is here today, the Minister for Transport, who is acting for other ministers, is also not available today, and that is preventing questions from being asked in the other place. As I said in the previous debate, this is a sign of how contemptuous and arrogant this government has become in such a short time. The government has so many members in this house, but with so much power comes responsibility. At the very least, it would be appropriate that the ministers, and cabinet, I presume, who set the parliamentary sitting calendar, would make themselves available for the opposition to apply scrutiny and ask questions on behalf of our constituents and the people of Western Australia. Rather than do that, ministers have chosen to take overseas travel. That trip was instigated by the government. We understand that from time to time ministers need to absent themselves from this place. We certainly did that when we were in government. On occasion, when an event was organised that a minister needed to attend, the minister was paired and provided with the opportunity to attend that event. We understand that. However, two ministers have gone on an overseas trip that was organised and created by the government, at its instigation. The government knew that Parliament was sitting today.

Mr D.A. Templeman: Wait until you hear the answer and then you will understand why it was done.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: I look forward to the answer. However, that is only one element of the reason we have moved this motion today. There is a growing level of arrogance by this government and its ministers to this house and to providing the opportunity for the opposition to ask questions.

The government has created the machinery-of-government changes. It has reduced the number of government departments and it has given its ministers a significant number of responsibilities. Three of those ministers are absent from the house today. That means there are 12 portfolios about which the opposition is unable to ask questions. Although we were able to ask the Acting Premier a question today, no-one could rightfully argue that the answer that was given by the Acting Premier was appropriate and provided any level of information. It was a very simple question, and it is a very contemporary issue.

Mr R.H. Cook: Cross-examining the minister’s diary is a very simple question?

Ms M.J. DAVIES: The Acting Premier should have anticipated that the gold royalty would be a significant issue in this house.

Mr R.H. Cook: Surely there was some other issue that you could have thought of to demonstrate your point.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: I can tell the minister right now that the gold royalty is an issue that a significant number of our constituents are concerned about.

Mr V.A. Catania interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for North West Central, a person from your own party is on their feet!

Mr V.A. Catania I am responding to the interjection.

The SPEAKER: I am responding to you, and I call you to order for the first time.

Ms M.J. DAVIES: The government should take this opportunity to explain why those senior ministers could not schedule their trip outside the parliamentary sitting schedule. The government should also take this opportunity to explain why the Premier needs to take three ministers with him to hold his hand. Is the Premier incapable of managing the business of the state while he is travelling overseas? The government should also explain why this trip has been taken and how much this trip will cost taxpayers. This trip is at a time when we are having debates

in this place about the austerity that many Western Australians are facing, and we are having debates about the gold royalty because the government does not have the mettle to talk to the iron ore companies and do some real work on debt reduction. The Acting Premier and the government should explain to the people of Western Australia why they are treating this house with such contempt.

There are 12 portfolios that we are unable to ask questions about today: Premier; Public Sector Management; State Development, Jobs and Trade; Federal–State Relations; Education and Training; Mines and Petroleum; Commerce and Industrial Relations; Electoral Affairs; Asian Engagement; Transport; and Lands. That is unacceptable and it could be remedied very easily. As I have said, that is only one of the elements that has emerged since this government has come to power. The government is using its enormous majority to be enormously arrogant and contemptuous of this house. The government is showing contempt to the people of Western Australia in the way it treats this house when it answers questions. The way in which the Minister for Sport and Recreation behaved yesterday was absolutely atrocious. It was shameful. The minister was asked a serious question yesterday, and he talked about the Queen! That is no way to treat this house. The opposition is asking, quite rightly, why the Premier and the ministers are not here on a day when they know Parliament is sitting and that issues are running in their portfolios that are of interest and that the opposition would want to ask questions about, and they were simply unprepared. That is not a good sign either. From our perspective, I hope the government will take the opportunity to explain why it believes it can show such contempt and be so arrogant in this place.

DR M.D. NAHAN (Riverton — Leader of the Opposition) [3.06 pm]: I would like to join in the debate on this motion. There is no doubt that the government of the day won the election with a huge landslide. The public wanted change, and this government is now in charge and has formed executive government. However, the people of this state also want the opposition to hold the government to account. The essence of parliamentary democracy is that Parliament holds the executive to account—that is why we separate the two. The government has shown consistently over its period in office complete contempt for this Parliament. It is not just contempt for members of the opposition as individuals, as the Minister for Water said. It is contempt for the people we represent. We represent the people of Western Australia, who elected us to this place—in diminished numbers—to hold the executive to account. It is understandable why the Premier, the Minister for Asian Engagement and the Minister for Education have gone to China. The number of foreign students from China is in freefall—it is down 20-plus per cent. I am sure they will be told by the people in China that the reason the numbers are down is the policies of this government. We support those ministers going to China to encourage more foreign students to come to Western Australia. However, they could have gone to China today rather than yesterday. As the Leader of the National Party indicated, that means we have had to vacate debate in this Parliament across a range of portfolios. The reason we asked a question of the Acting Premier is because during the previous debate on gold royalties, the Minister for Mines and Petroleum was missing in action. He was hiding. We had a hunt on the internet: where is Bill? He is hiding again on this issue. The question was put to him: who did you meet? The Treasurer, who is appropriately leading this issue, told the public through the media, “We’re meeting the Chamber of Minerals and Energy; we’re meeting leaders of both large and small-scale businesses in the gold industry.” We wanted to know whether the Minister for Mines and Petroleum was doing likewise as part of his executive responsibility. He could not answer. The response from the member for Willagee, one of the better people in this house on this issue, was, “It’s none of your business; it’s executive government; we don’t need to tell you.”

Mr P.C. Tinley interjected.

Dr M.D. NAHAN: Yes they do. That is why we are here—that is, to ask questions like that. The Treasurer was willing to talk to the media about who he was meeting, and appropriately so, yet the Minister for Housing told Parliament, “It’s none of your business, this is executive government; go away; you don’t count.” The Minister for Water said, “We respect Parliament but we don’t respect you individuals.” That shows contempt for the institution that they are in and that we all work hard to get to. It shows contempt for the institution and that their huge victory has gone to their head and they are abusing it.

Yesterday we debated the Perth Children’s Hospital. It has been a longstanding issue on which the Acting Premier, appropriately, had us under scrutiny over the last term of the previous government. The issue was important; there were clear problems with the issue and the issue was about how the hell lead got in the water and a range of other issues. He aggressively held us to account. He talked to everyone under the sun—the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union and everyone else—appropriately so. Then he writes us a letter saying “Shut up about that issue. You should not discuss it in Parliament because it might affect our negotiating position.” Parliament has special roles and responsibilities and the community of Western Australia gives us special privileges to debate issues exactly like that. In other words, his action was an attempt to muzzle Parliament. The Premier’s response was that our actions would not only jeopardise the government’s negotiating position but also, what we said indicated that we were in cahoots with the managing contractor. That is what the Premier accused us of. That is outrageous.

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I want to raise one other point that shows contempt for people today. The Minister for Corrective Services called one of my colleagues a name—"Uncle Fester". That was a slur and he knows that where he comes from it has certain connotations—"Uncle Fester, the child molester". He knows what it means.

Several members interjected.

Dr M.D. NAHAN: Yes, it is. That was an attempt to slur him. That is the standard members opposite are going to.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition, can you get back to the point please.

Dr M.D. NAHAN: We are almost at the end of this term.

A government member: A year.

Dr M.D. NAHAN: A year; and they have shown complete contempt for not just the opposition, but also as the Minister for Water said—I believe he holds us in contempt—the institution.

If they do not pick it up, they will crumble.

MR V.A. CATANIA (North West Central) [3.13 pm]: We can see a pattern emerging: the increasing arrogance by a puffed up politician called the Premier. Arrogance and contempt is all we have seen. We have seen "Papergate", where he said there was only one piece of paper, but there were two.

Several members interjected.

Ms S.E. Winton: Are you reading?

The SPEAKER: No, but member for Wanneroo, I will call you to order for the first time.

Mr V.A. CATANIA: We have seen "Carnegiegate" whereby the Minister for Regional Development had a hand in the till and now we are seeing "Muzzlegate", where the Labor government is telling the opposition to put a muzzle on. How dare you stop democracy in this house! Today we heard a senior minister say "It's none of your business." God, I do not think we have ever —

Mr D.T. Redman: Is he a senior minister?

Mr V.A. CATANIA: He is probably not a senior minister. We have heard arrogance displayed by the Labor government in answer to questions that this side of the house has put to people like the Premier. It is unbelievable arrogance by the Premier.

Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Kingsley, I call you to order for the first time.

Mr V.A. CATANIA: We can see the Premier over in Shanghai having a beer; having a Tsingtao with his sneakers on, wiping his forehead saying, "Geez; it's good to be the Premier of Western Australia," wearing a T-shirt with "I love Rockingham" on it. He will be walking the streets of Shanghai with the Minister for Education and Training and the Minister for Asian Engagement, on a taxpayer-funded trip saying, "God, it's good to have 41 members in Parliament." Forty-one members breeds the arrogance we are seeing right now. We can see the arrogance the Premier is displaying in this chamber through answers and the way he has handled an issue over two pieces of paper: only one; nothing to see here. He is off on his trip happy to freeze everyone's pay except his own superannuation entitlements.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Get back to the point.

Mr V.A. CATANIA: "Gold royalty accountability" is what the Premier said, but not for the Premier or anyone else because of the government's 41 members. "Don't worry; we'll win government next time; don't worry because we have such a large majority, but we might lose a few." But let me tell members, the arrogance coming out of this government is being displayed by all. As I said, there is an increasing pattern of contempt for this place and contempt for the opposition trying to make sure they are accountable to the people of Western Australia. They are not doing that. Today there are three ministers out of this chamber and more out of the other chamber. Why did those members not travel on a non-sitting week, which is next week? I would like to hear the Acting Premier's answer. Why did they not organise it for next week and why are so many ministers away? Why cannot one minister do the job?

MR R.H. COOK (Kwinana — Acting Premier) [3.17 pm]: For the information of the chamber and members opposite, the Premier is not here today, as would usually be the case, because this industry delegation to China was scheduled for earlier in the year. Unfortunately, because of the scheduling of the Nineteenth National Congress in China, they had to change the timing of the delegation. That is the fact of the matter. It was planned for earlier.

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While it is important we get this delegation going, at this time of the year, it is difficult because of the timing of Parliament. As we know, Parliament continues to meet fairly regularly in the lead-up to December. The original schedule got pushed out following the announcement of the timing for the national congress, which conflicted with the minister's delegation.

Mr D.J. Kelly: We found it difficult to get the Communist Party's congress to meet the member for North West Central!

Several members interjected.

Mr R.H. COOK: Thank you.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members! Members, not across the chamber or I will start calling people to order.

Dr M.D. Nahan interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition, I call you to order for the third time.

Mr R.H. COOK: Let us be clear about what this delegation is about. It is about jobs and about the Western Australian economy and how we can continue —

Dr M.D. Nahan interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition!

Mr R.H. COOK: It is about jobs and the Western Australian economy and how we can continue to grow the economy, particularly given the poor performance we are having in education and tourism. That is one of the key reasons we have to continue to lead these delegations to make sure we realise the economic opportunities that come with them. The Premier, as members know, will obviously be joined by the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Asian Engagement. Of course, that is a natural fit in this situation. The Minister for Asian Engagement will also undertake some work in South Korea. Obviously, the Minister for Education and Training has an important role to play in that delegation because, as everyone knows, we have to do better with our international student numbers, particularly Chinese students.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Mr R.H. COOK: Those aspects of the delegation are loaded up during the earlier part of the timetable. That is why the Minister for Tourism is delaying his departure and stay for this part of the week.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members, you wanted an answer; listen to it.

Mr R.H. COOK: However, the structure and nature of the delegation to China requires the Premier, the Minister for Education and Training and the Minister for Asian Engagement to go during the earlier part of the trip. It is a delegation of over 40 industry leaders; it is not simply about arranging the diaries of a small group of people. It is a structured delegation of people with commitments, and from that point of view the structure of the visit to China could not be changed.

In addition, members will notice that the Minister for Transport is not here today. Unfortunately, she has to attend a Council of Australian Governments meeting in Hobart for transport ministers. As members on the other side who have had experience with these things would know, these meetings are invariably scheduled on a Friday and if we had the luxury of living on the east coast, we would be able to travel at the end of the day. The Minister for Transport is in transit on her way to Hobart to attend that meeting. From that perspective, the absence of ministers from the chamber is unfortunate, but also unavoidable. I think all members understand that the Premier and his colleagues are undertaking a very important delegation to China to make sure that we can continue to improve our opportunities there.

This is not an exercise in arrogance. If it were an exercise in arrogance, it would be standing in the election for one political party, then, as soon as the election is over, switching to another political party! That is arrogance.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members, just be careful what you call people in this place. You call them by their constituency.

Mr V.A. Catania: Call them all to order!

The SPEAKER: I will call you to order if you talk when I am on my feet. I will not have people being called names that are not their electorates.

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Mr R.H. COOK: I would have thought that the last set of members of Parliament who would bring a motion of this nature to the chamber would be our friends in the National Party. They are serial offenders in absenting themselves from the chamber. Although the Premier and his colleagues are undertaking an important delegation to China because they are interested in jobs for Western Australians and in improving the economy, we all remember the absence of the former member for Pilbara when he was on the previous government's front bench. That was in the first sitting week of 2011 when Hon Brendon Grylls absented himself from the chamber for a whole week.

Mr B.S. Wyatt: Where did he go again?

Mr R.H. COOK: Where did he go, members?

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Mr R.H. COOK: Mr Speaker, on that occasion, it was not a case of ministerial responsibilities getting in the way. It was a family holiday! Even though it was the first sitting week of Parliament —

Point of Order

Mr V.A. CATANIA: The minister is talking about a past member—only one. We are talking about four ministers being away!

The SPEAKER: Member, that is not a point of order. If you get up with a point of order and scream like that, I will call you to order. You are already on—only one; I will give you one for that; it is now two.

Debate Resumed

Mr R.H. COOK: Our friends over there are the last people who should come into this place and criticise ministers for absenting themselves for important political work for Western Australian taxpayers. I remember on that occasion, where the Treasurer now sits —

Mr V.A. Catania interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for North West Central, I call you to order for the third time; it is not a shouting match.

Mr R.H. COOK: Where the Treasurer now sits, there was a completely absent chair in the first week of Parliament. It was not because the former minister was trying to generate jobs in Western Australia. It was not because he was concerned about the economy. It was because he was concerned about his family holiday.

I remember at the time the Premier saying, "Give the guy a break and give his wife a break. They have two young children. This is the time they have been able to arrange to have a week off." Our ministers may not be here today, but they are working on behalf of the taxpayers of Western Australia.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: National Party members, if you want to give it, you have to accept some back.

Mr R.H. COOK: They are not absenting themselves simply because they want to take a holiday. The Premier and his colleagues are out there working for Western Australian jobs. The Minister for Transport is at a COAG meeting so she has to be absent from the chamber for that purpose. That stands in stark contrast with the former ministers in this place who would simply absent themselves because they wanted to take a family holiday. That is the form we have here. That, ladies and gentlemen, is called contempt of Parliament—not the fact that the Premier is away on an important delegation that is generating jobs for Western Australians.

The former minister had form in this. As late as the end of 2016, the former minister would absent himself simply to scurry off to do early electioneering. I remember that the member for Fremantle wanted to grieve to Hon Brendon Grylls, but he had just disappeared. Do members think that he was overseas looking for jobs for Western Australians? No!

Ms M.J. Davies interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the National Party!

Mr R.H. COOK: He was off campaigning in his electorate. That mob have form when it comes to absenting themselves from the chamber. At least the Liberal Party turn up!

Ms M.J. Davies interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the National Party, I call you to order for the first time.

Mr R.H. COOK: At least Liberal Party members turn up; at least they have some respect for the chamber. When they were not here, we knew they were out working hard when they were on the government benches. It is not like our friends over there in the National Party who are serial offenders of absenteeism from this place.

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We have an agenda for Western Australia: it is jobs; it is the economy. That is why the Premier is out there today working for jobs and working for the Western Australian economy. He is out there for the people of Western Australia. That is in stark contrast with the National Party mob when they were in government. There is a reason the Premier and his colleagues are out of the chamber today. It is regrettable, but, unfortunately, it is unavoidable because of the timing of the national congress. We have a single priority as a government—that is, Western Australian jobs and the Western Australian economy—and we will continue to pursue that agenda as our priority.

MR P. PAPALIA (Warnbro — Minister for Tourism) [3.28 pm]: At the outset, I would like to join the —
Ms M.J. Davies interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the National Party, it is not just a chat across the chamber. The minister is on his feet. I call you to order for the second time.

Mr P. PAPALIA: Thank you, Mr Speaker. At the outset, I would like to join the Deputy Premier in congratulating National Party members for all being here for the first time in months! I am fairly certain that for at least the last six months, there has not been one sitting week when all five of the reprobates on the other side of the chamber have been present. I congratulate them and thank them for their presence!

Mr V.A. Catania interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for North West Central, you are on three calls.

Mr P. PAPALIA: On behalf of their constituents, I thank them for their presence. It is nice to see them for a change. With regard to the delegation the Premier is leading, it is no secret that the Premier is leading a very significant delegation as his first overseas trade delegation to China. It is not a secret because he told the tourism sector of Western Australia, at a business breakfast six months before the election, that that was exactly what he was going to do. He laid it on the record and he told the sector at the time that he would be taking the Minister for Education and Training, the Minister for Asian Engagement and the Minister for Tourism because it was a significant initiative to diversify the economy and grow jobs in Western Australia. That commitment was applauded by the tourism sector because we are lagging dismally as a consequence of the Barnett government's neglect of tourism and international students. We went from 12 per cent of the total international student share under the Carpenter government to less than seven per cent under the Barnett government. Fewer than seven per cent of international students in Australia are coming to Western Australia.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members! You do an MPI so you can ask a question and get an answer. All you have been doing is interjecting. Minister, get on with it, please. Sorry; resume, minister!

Mr P. PAPALIA: Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Tourism is also lagging dismally, particularly international tourism. I understand —

Mr R.S. Love interjected.

The SPEAKER: Member for Moore, you should know better.

Mr P. PAPALIA: He does not speak very often, except when I am speaking! He cannot seem to stop himself!

Mr D.J. Kelly interjected.

Mr P. PAPALIA: The Minister for Water has cracked a funny joke; a voice-activated dummy, I like that!

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Mr P. PAPALIA: Do not take it too personally.

I understand that the previous government had the benefit of an unprecedented mining boom, so it was able to sit back and watch the royalties roll in while doing nothing to diversify the economy. We have to rectify that; we have to fix that. Eleven months before the election we went into the public domain with a commitment to the people of Western Australia to elevate tourism to become a much more significant part of the economy and to diversify the economy through those means.

Dr M.D. Nahan interjected.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition, you are on three.

Mr P. PAPALIA: As I said before, six months before the election, the Premier went on the public record in front of the media, the tourism sector and the education sector to make a commitment to lead his very first trade

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delegation to China to grow jobs on behalf of the tourism and education sectors in Western Australia, and to take three ministers with him for that very purpose.

The previous government's neglect was transparent. When I went earlier this year to Guangzhou, home of the only airline that flies directly from China to Perth, I was told that the last time a tourism minister had visited from Western Australia was 2011. When I went to Japan to talk to airlines about a direct flight from Japan—which we have not had since 2011—I was told that the last time a tourism minister from Western Australia had visited was in 2012. The previous government neglected our key markets and we are trying to fix the mess. Do not criticise us for picking up the pieces. Do not criticise us for doing what we committed to do. We are just fixing the mess. We are looking for opportunities to grow jobs through tourism and international students, as we promised we would do six months before the election.

Division

Question put and a division taken with the following result —

Ayes (14)

Mr C.J. Barnett
Mr I.C. Blayney
Mr V.A. Catania
Ms M.J. Davies

Mrs L.M. Harvey
Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup
Mr R.S. Love
Mr W.R. Marmion

Mr J.E. McGrath
Dr M.D. Nahan
Mr D.C. Nalder
Mr D.T. Redman

Mr P.J. Rundle
Mr A. Krsticevic (*Teller*)

Noes (34)

Ms L.L. Baker
Mr J.N. Carey
Mrs R.M.J. Clarke
Mr R.H. Cook
Mr M.J. Folkard
Ms J.M. Freeman
Ms E. Hamilton
Mr T.J. Healy
Mr M. Hughes

Mr D.J. Kelly
Mr F.M. Logan
Ms S.F. McGurk
Mr K.J.J. Michel
Mr S.A. Millman
Mr Y. Mubarakai
Mr M.P. Murray
Mrs L.M. O'Malley
Mr P. Papalia

Mr S.J. Price
Mr D.T. Punch
Mr J.R. Quigley
Mrs M.H. Roberts
Ms C.M. Rowe
Ms A. Sanderson
Ms J.J. Shaw
Mrs J.M.C. Stojkovski
Mr C.J. Tallentire

Mr D.A. Templeman
Mr P.C. Tinley
Mr B. Urban
Mr R.R. Whitby
Ms S.E. Winton
Mr B.S. Wyatt
Mr D.R. Michael (*Teller*)

Pairs

Ms L. Mettam
Mr P. Katsambanis
Mr K. O'Donnell

Mr M. McGowan
Mr W.J. Johnston
Ms R. Saffioti

Question thus negatived.