

LIQUOR, HOSPITALITY AND MISCELLANEOUS UNION - DIRT FILES

693. Mr P.D. OMODEI to the Attorney General:

I refer to the revelation that the Attorney General's union, the Liquor, Hospitality and Miscellaneous Union, has developed dirt files on voluntary board members of a company as part of a wages campaign.

- (1) What action has the Attorney General taken to determine what was meant by "a note in this dirt file" that someone would be seeing what information they could get from the Attorney General and the Department of the Attorney General?
- (2) What information has been provided to the union from the Department of the Attorney General to assist in the development of the dirt file and other union dirty tricks campaigns?
- (3) Was the Attorney General aware that the union was getting information from his department for its campaign?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

- (1)-(3) I know absolutely nothing about the matters that the Leader of the Opposition has referred to. I noticed an article in *The West Australian* on Saturday and a follow-up one on Monday. I always find it hard to believe the contents of the stories because they normally do not get it right. I have no knowledge of it; it is not something that I have had any involvement with whatsoever.