

TERRORISM, PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT

**408. Mr P.D. OMODEI to the Premier:**

I refer to the Prime Minister's statement that he would support a pre-emptive strike, if there were no alternative, against terrorists who pose a known threat to Australians. Does the Premier support the Prime Minister's statement?

**Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:**

I am the Premier of Western Australia and, being in that position, I know that a lot of responsibilities go with the job. One of them is not to conduct and direct the Australian military forces. I am afraid that the question is not only hypothetical, but also inappropriate, given that none of those responsibilities lies in my portfolio.