

HON CHARLES SMITH — PAULINE HANSON'S ONE NATION — RESIGNATION

Statement by President

THE PRESIDENT (Hon Kate Doust) [9.45 pm]: Before members rise to their feet to make statements, I want to advise you that today I have received a message from Hon Charles Smith, MLC. It says —

Dear Madam President,

Please be advised that I have resigned from Pauline Hanson's One Nation party and intend from today to sit as an independent Member.

Yours sincerely,

Hon Charles Smith, MLC.

Statement

HON CHARLES SMITH (East Metropolitan) [9.45 pm]: Madam President, thank you for reading the message out. Today is the end of a long line of frustrations for me, and I advise the house that I have resigned from Pauline Hanson's One Nation and stand as an Independent member.