

QUEEN ELIZABETH II MEDICAL CENTRE — SATELLITE BIRTHING FACILITY

161. Ms L. METTAM to the Minister for Health:

I have a supplementary question. Has the minister now abandoned her thought bubble idea of a satellite facility for Queen Elizabeth II Medical Centre?

Ms A. SANDERSON replied:

She continues to call it a thought bubble, but it came from clinicians.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order, please!

Ms A. SANDERSON: It came from clinicians and from the Australian Medical Association. Is the Leader of the Liberal Party saying that it is an AMA thought bubble?

Ms L. Mettam: Have you abandoned it—yes or no?

Ms A. SANDERSON: Nothing has changed in the government's position. I cannot be more clear about that. Nothing has changed in the government's position on the maternity hospital, including consideration of a small facility at QEII. Nothing has changed—nothing.