

LIVE EXPORT — FEDERAL GOVERNMENT POLICY

**62. Mr P.J. RUNDLE to the Premier:**

I have a supplementary question. The Prime Minister had time for a meet and greet in Hyde Park but not to meet with our farmers. Is kissing babies a higher priority for Labor than standing up for our live export industry?

Several members interjected.

**The DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Members, the question is to the Premier, not the rest of you.

**Mr R.H. COOK replied:**

I think the picture that the member just showed of the Prime Minister was when he was actually meeting people, in this case families, friends and retail workers.

**Mr P.J. Rundle:** He didn't have time to meet Western Australian sheep producers!

**Mr R.H. COOK:** What is the member saying—that he should not meet children and meet representatives of the community?

Several members interjected.

**The DEPUTY SPEAKER:** Members!

**Mr R.H. COOK:** What was great to see during the Prime Minister's visit was the warm reception he received from Western Australians, and from Western Australia for that matter—it was hot! What was great to see is that people in Western Australia understand that the Prime Minister has got our back. I saw him last night at a function to celebrate the Chinese and Lunar New Year. Almost a thousand people in the room were cheering the Prime Minister on, acknowledging the great work that he is doing as the leader of our country to continue to create great Western Australian jobs, continue to build Western Australian industry and make sure that Western Australia is the engine room of the nation's economy. We know that he will continue to do that.