

MEMBER FOR WARREN-BLACKWOOD

Personal Explanation - Australian Railroad Group Pty Ltd

MR P.D. OMODEI (Warren-Blackwood - Deputy Leader of the Opposition) [9.01 am]: During debate yesterday on the motion dealing with the south west railway and South Western Highway, I indicated to the house that I was in possession of a media release from the Australian Railroad Group Pty Ltd. The member for Riverton, the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure and others commented that this press release did not exist.

Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan: No, we didn't say that.

Mr P.D. OMODEI: The minister can check the record if she wants to; the *Hansard* is available. During the debate, the member for Riverton indicated that he could not find a press release from ARG on its expenditure on rail in Western Australia since it took over the rail network. In the press statement, ARG estimates that it has -

The SPEAKER: As the member for Warren-Blackwood knows, a personal explanation is used to explain a personal grievance or to make an explanation; it is not to be used to further a debate that may have occurred yesterday. I do not think that this is a personal explanation. Unless the member can get to the matter about which he is personally aggrieved, I suggest he desist.

Mr P.D. OMODEI: I table the press release from the Australian Railroad Group dated 25 May 2005 for the balance of this day's sitting.

[The paper was tabled for the information of members.]