



Speech by

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT Overseas Visit, Report

Hon. J. P. ELDER (Capalaba—ALP) (Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade) (9.45 a.m.), by leave: I table for the information of the House a report on my visit to the People's Republic of Indonesia, made between 30 November and 3 December last year. This was a short visit undertaken primarily to support Queensland mining companies taking part in the Mining Indonesia exposition, to ensure that the Queensland Government is committed to a long-term relationship with Indonesia. I visited Central Java, which has a sister-State relationship with Queensland, to assure them of our continuing support. Although the Indonesian economy is experiencing some problems at the moment, there is still considerable potential for Queensland companies that want to do business in Indonesia, especially in the mining sector.