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Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Leaders' Week

 **Hon. MT RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Minister for Corrective Services) (10.12 am): Once again the Queensland Police Service is undertaking a massive security operation in front of world leaders. The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Leaders' Week is being held in Port Moresby until Sunday this week. Leaders and their families from many nations intend to visit and stay in Cairns and Brisbane. Nations to be represented include Canada, New Zealand, Brunei, Korea, Vietnam, Thailand and many others. In fact, the Vice-President of the United States is also attending and will stay in Queensland. It is estimated that 300 Queensland police officers will be part of the security effort.

It is a big commitment from our Police Service, but they are clearly up to it. Queensland police kept the community and international visitors safe during the G20 and the biggest event ever staged in Queensland: the Commonwealth Games. Queensland police officers have been deployed to Papua New Guinea in an advisory and mentoring capacity. Our police will also provide security to high-profile Australian and Queensland figures who are likely to visit Queensland and Brisbane this week. Our police will also be responsible for the security of 15 leaders from Pacific island nations who will be staying in Brisbane.

The Queensland Police Service is world-class; our police have proved that time and time again. On behalf of all Queenslanders, I thank them for their tireless efforts and their contribution to the APEC Leaders' Week.