




Speech By
Hon. Mark Bailey

MEMBER FOR MILLER

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 **Hon. MC BAILEY** (Miller—ALP) (Minister for Transport and Main Roads) (10.12 am): I wish to update the House on a matter raised last week following a gathering at the TMR offices on Mary Street. As I noted last week, this behaviour was disgraceful and I condemn the actions of those who made the staff in my department feel unsafe in their workplace. I have called on the CFMEU to issue an unqualified apology to those workers impacted, and I am still waiting. Queensland police are investigating the matter, and I support any enforcement action that needs to take place. I also put on the record of the House that I had no prior knowledge of this action, despite the disgraceful slurs of those opposite.

Mr Mander interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: The member for Everton will cease his interjections.

Mr BAILEY: I was scheduled to speak but, due to mandatory attendance at the Tuesday morning meeting of the Cabinet Budget Review Committee, I was unable to attend and instead a prerecorded video message was provided.

Opposition members interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Members to my left will cease their interjections.

Mr BAILEY: My department received notification of this as soon as CBRC conflicted in my diary on Monday morning, and alternative plans were put in place to record the video address.

Every person has the right to feel safe in their workplace, whether it is from the recent actions of the CFMEU or from being sacked from their jobs by those who assured them that they would not be. We remember your record; we know you are in control. The old Newman government is here and you will be exposed, I can assure you.

Mr SPEAKER: Order, members! I will issue a general warning today that comments will be directed through the chair for the dignity of the House and to ensure that personal attacks are not forthcoming.