



Speech By
Hon. Patrick Weir

MEMBER FOR CONDAMINE

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SPEAKER'S STATEMENT

Papua New Guinea, Anniversary of Independence

 **Mr SPEAKER:** Honourable members, today we honour Papua New Guinea's 50 years of independence, united in spirit and celebration. Since 2007, the Queensland and Papua New Guinea parliaments have participated in a twinning partnership under the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association's Pacific Partnership Program. This twinning relationship has provided support for strengthening our parliamentary institutions and the capacity of our parliaments as legislative bodies. Not only is PNG our twin, it is also our neighbour and friend. Today's anniversary provides an opportunity to reflect on and commemorate our shared history and ongoing connection.