

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO — WAR

Petition

MR W.J. JOHNSTON (Cannington) [9.04 am]: I present a petition signed by four people, which reads —

**To the Honourable speaker
Parliament of Western Australia
Perth.**

The Honourable speaker and Members of the legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia assembled.

We, the undersigned, say

As members of the Congolese Community of Western Australia, we would like to inform you about the current war and atrocities occurring in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of Congo and inform you that:

1. This war has caused the death of more than five million people and displace about one million people and
2. That the war has also seen massive violation of Human Rights including the mutilation and raping of women.

Now we ask that the Legislative Assembly

1. To note the concerns of the Congolese Community of Western Australia about the war in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of Congo and
2. In solidarity with our families back home in Congo, the Congolese Community of Western Australia urge you to do all that is within your powers to stop the war in Congo.

[See petition 38.]