

LIVE EXPORT

**164. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:**

I refer to the visit to Western Australia by the Prime Minister and members of his cabinet, and to the minister's unequivocal support for the live export industry, as stated in response to question without notice 3 asked on 14 February this year.

- (1) Did McGowan government ministers meet with either the Prime Minister or relevant federal ministers regarding the live sheep export industry?
- (2) If yes to (1), was the McGowan government successful in seeking a cessation of the actions being taken by the federal government to discourage foreign markets from purchasing WA live sheep?
- (3) Has the minister directed the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development to undertake an assessment of any current or future impacts on the live sheep export industry from the federal government's planned closure of this industry?

**Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1) I have had several meetings with Senator Murray Watt, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, regarding live sheep export, including a meeting on 20 February 2023.
- (2) My discussions focused on the federal government's role in export approvals, which are regulated through federal legislation—the Export Control Act 2020 and the Navigation Act 2012—and related regulations and standards.
- (3) Yes.