



Duncan Pegg MP

Member for Stretton

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Duncan Pegg MP supports Queensland Labor Motion for Recognition of the State of Palestine

The 2015 Queensland Labor State Conference was held on 29 and 30 August in Brisbane. Delegates at this conference voted to recognise the state of Palestine in a motion seconded by Duncan MP.

Duncan Pegg MP, Member for Stretton spoke in favour of the full recognition of Palestine at the conference.

"I was pleased to be able to second this motion and speak in favour of the full recognition of Palestine at this year's State Labor conference. This is an issue that is important to me and to the people I represent," he said.

"I believe in standing up for the oppressed and shining a light on injustice where it occurs. I am hopeful that in some way this motion supports peace in the Middle East and contributes to Australia finally recognising the state of Palestine."

Mr Pegg said that it was great to see this motion adopted by the conference delegates.

The Motion adopted at the Qld Labor State Conference was:

ALP 2015 State Conference Recognition of Palestine

Conference welcomes the decision of the 2015 National ALP Conference to commit the next Labor Government to moving to recognise the state of Palestine.

In view of:

- the continued expansion of Israeli settlements on the West Bank;*
- the continued demolition of Palestinian homes and villages;*
- the continued oppression of Palestinian residents of the West Bank;*
- violence directed at Palestinians by Israeli settlers;*
- recognition of Palestine by 135 of 193 nation states; and*
- the Obama Administration's conclusion that Israel has deliberately obstructed negotiations toward a two state solution*

the next Labor Government will immediately recognise the state of Palestine.

Moved: Wendy Turner

Seconded: Duncan Pegg

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