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MEMBER: Mr LANGBROEK

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 **Mr LANGBROEK** (Surfers Paradise—LNP) (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) (10.22 am): Isn't it great to get a lecture about science from a man who got a PhD by doing a thesis about how you increase trade union membership. Dr Miles, fantastic!

In spite of the protestations of those opposite, we all know that by their own admission this is a Labor government that was elected with very few promises, no plan for infrastructure, no plan for jobs and no plan for business confidence, no matter what they have said today. It is also interesting to see how they are able to walk both sides of the street depending on what forum they are in. When the member for Mount Coot-tha, who went to the UNESCO conference at Bonn, spoke to the World Wildlife Fund he was at great pains to say that there would be no support from this government for the Adani mine development. Yet last week at the Queensland Resources Council lunch when the Premier said, 'I support mining and agriculture', let us have a look at what—

**Dr MILES:** Mr Speaker, I rise to a point of order. Accusations have been made about a statement I supposedly made. I have never said what the member—

**Mr SPEAKER:** You find those comments offensive and ask they be withdrawn?

**Dr MILES:** I ask they be withdrawn.

**Mr SPEAKER:** The member has found those comments offensive and asks that they be withdrawn.

**Mr LANGBROEK:** I withdraw, Mr Speaker. Let us have a look at an example of how they walk both sides of the street. The government response to the Queensland Plan was released last night, and in her report the Premier said, 'The Queensland Plan is everyone's plan.' That is a little bit at odds with what the Premier had to say this time last year in the debate about the bill. She said, 'We cannot support the Queensland Plan and we will not be supporting this because it is a waste of taxpayers' money.' I table a copy of that segment of the speech.

*Tabled paper:* E-mail containing an extract from Hansard including a statement from the former Leader of the Opposition regarding the Queensland Plan.

The other day at the Queensland Resources Council lunch the Premier said, 'I really value resources. I value mining. I value agriculture.' In that case the people in the mining sector—who sat there discomforted, of course, but respectful—were perplexed to understand why it is that this government keeps winding back LNP legislation, why they do not do anything about green tape, why they are trying to stop mining on Stradbroke Island and why they are not supporting the Adani project. The member for Stafford claimed it was his personal crusade to see Adam Giles that got the gas pipeline going. Queenslanders know this is a government that walks both sides of the street when it comes to mining and agriculture. Talking about vegetation management, the member for Stafford was completely sidelined by the Deputy Premier. There is only one side of the parliament here that understands the balance between the environment and the economy and community support for mining and agriculture, which are the staples of our economy as the Premier herself said last week. It is this side of the chamber, the LNP side; on that side they walk both sides of the street.