

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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**QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE
(Of which some notice has been given)**

Wednesday, 26 February 2014

Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the State Development.

I refer to the Premiers visit to Zambia and South Africa from 30 January until 5 February 2014 and ask:

1. Did the Premier have any meetings with Zambezi Resources or Mr David Vilensky before going to Zambia, if so how many and on what dates?
2. Was the Premier lobbied by any organisation or lobbyist in relations to any Zambian mining operations prior to or during his visit to Zambia if so who and on what dates?
3. Who travelled with the Premier's entourage to Zambia?
4. Which mining companies did the Premier meet with in Zambia?
5. Zambezi Resources have stated they met with the Premier in Zambia is this the case and if so on what date did this occur?
6. Has the Liberal Party received any financial gifts from any Zambian mining company and/or Zambezi Resources?

I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

1. No
2. No
3. Richard Sellers, Director General, Department of Mines and Petroleum;
Stephen Home, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Premier;
Dixie Marshall, Director of the Government Media Office
4. While the Premier did not hold individual meetings with mining companies in Zambia, at the invitation of the Secretary General of the Common Market of Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) mining company representatives, including Mr David Vilensky, as well as numerous officials attended a dinner as well as formal proceedings at which the Premier signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the Western Australian Government and COMESA.

5. Mr Vilensky did not have a meeting with the Premier, but introduced himself to members of the Premier's party during the flight from Perth to Johannesburg on Wednesday 29 January 2014, and then introduced himself to the Premier while seated near him on the flight from Johannesburg to Lusaka on Thursday 30 January 2014. The Premier had not previously met Mr Vilensky, nor had anyone in his party, and the Premier did not meet or talk to him again during his visit to Zambia.
6. This is a matter for the Liberal Party of Australia (W.A. Division) which is required to disclose donations as prescribed by the State and Commonwealth Electoral Acts.

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