

Media Statement

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STATEMENT FROM THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

It is reckless for anyone to make unfounded claims of a \$15 billion cost to taxpayers from our Big Build.

As lawyers, our professional credibility rests on evidence. It goes to who we are.

We are bound to make a clear distinction between allegation and proof, and the rule of law depends on this.

The line between fact and allegation has now been blurred.

Mark Irving saw that, lawyers see that and we see that.