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PRIME MINISTER

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PM: You'll excuse me laughing but from day one in this dispute Mr Peacock and the Opposition is totally supportive of the pilots. They've put all their questions in the Parliament, everything they've said has been supportive of the pilots which is in a sense not surprising because the pilots are following the Opposition's industrial relations policy. The Opposition says, 'opt out of the system, if you want to go out, get outside', so that's what the pilots did straight according to the Opposition's policy. They've gone outside the system then Peacock's been bleating saying, 'fix it up, fix it up, fix it up', after they've got out, as he told them to and now of course he says he'll go and talk to them. Well I think that's appropriate because they've been talking one another's language, following one another's policy all this time, they really deserve one another.

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