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PRIME MINISTER INTERVIEWED: DOORSTOP, CANBERRA

Question

What sort of Budget can we expect tonight?

Prime Minister

A very responsible one.

Question

Can you give any indication of what the taxpayers (inaudible).

Prime Minister

I don't think I can give any indication, and I don't think you would expect me to, in spite of events of yesterday. But it will be a responsible Budget, and it will be a fair Budget. I hope it will acclaimed as a good one for Australia because that is what it is.

Question

Prime Minister, are you happy to have Mr. Sinclair back with you in Cabinet so soon after he was cleared of charges in Sydney.

Prime Minister

Yes, very happy indeed. I had made that plain. I will be glad to see him in Cabinet. I am not too sure that the Opposition will like to see him as Leader of the House, because after all the things that they have said - which have now been proved by the courts to be quite false.

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