

## PRIME MINISTER

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THE FEDERATED SHIP PAINTERS' AND DOCKERS' UNION

I congratulate Mr Hayden on his move to disaffiliate the Federated Ship Painters' and Dockers' from the Australian Labor Party.

I have said all along that such a body as the Painters and Dockers should not be affiliated with any political party especially in the light of the Royal Commissioner's comments.

I am glad that Mr Hayden has now accepted that view.