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EXPRESS

TURNBULL'S ABCC ATTACKS OUR SAFETY LIVES PUT AT RISK



The full bench of the Federal Court has ruled in favour of an ABCC-initiated appeal against a previous decision that gave the Victorian Occupational Health and Safety Act primacy over the Fair Work Act.

The question before Chief Justice Allsop, Justice White and Justice O'Callaghan was whether the Fair Work Act; Right of Entry regime [Sec. 494] trumps the Vic OHS Act [Sec. 58.1.f] regarding the right of an OHS rep to invite any person into a workplace provided that the person has sufficient OHS

knowledge to assist the OHS Rep with safety matters.

This ruling has profound implications for the safety of all Victorian workers as the ruling is not limited to the construction sector.

There simply shouldn't be any impediment for any OHS representative to seek the assistance of anyone who's qualified and has the experience to assist with safety. The ABCC have effectively forced their political agenda into the area of worker safety and they should be condemned for their actions.

This decision will put workers lives at risk, pure and simple.

When OHS Reps invite an official onto site to assist with safety issues, it can often be a life or death matter.

At what point will the Government's political police force prioritise the lives of workers over their campaign to destroy the union movement? Their decision to appeal demonstrates that the ABCC will spare no amount of tax payers' dollars, or continue risking the lives of workers, to pursue their extreme ant-union crusade.

At some point, the community has to say enough is enough.

The CFMEU won't be intimidated by the Federal Government's ongoing campaign to weaken the union movement.

At some point this government is going to learn that when it comes to the safety of construction workers, the CFMEU won't blink. They can waste all the tax payer dollars they want on their anti-union agenda, but we won't be intimidated and we won't stop fighting for workers' rights and their safety.

POSITIVES FOR PLASTERERS



The campaign to tackle sham contracting and exploitation of temporary overseas workers in the plastering industry is starting to pay off for Members.

CFMEU Leadership have held meetings with plastering companies at Tier 1 & 2 level, as well as builders.

Bosses are aware they have a problem when it comes to sham contracting and exploitation and they have been put on notice.

The campaign is already achieving results. More plasterers are being employed on wages and funds such as Incolink and CBUS superannuation are being paid.

Our Union is only as strong as our Members and our Delegates. Now is the time to stand up.

Check your compliances - ensure funds are being paid and workers are being paid correctly.

Say no to exploitation - we protect our jobs, wages and conditions by standing together and demanding our proper entitlements.

**SAY NO TO EXPLOITATION!
SAY YES TO LOCAL JOBS!**

UNITE & FIGHT BACK!

**LONG WAY TO GO - GET INVOLVED:
CHECK COMPLIANCES / FUNDS NOW!**

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STOP THE WAR ON WORKERS

RALLY

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10:30AM
TUESDAY 20 JUNE
VIC TRADES HALL
CNR VICTORIA ST & LYGON ST

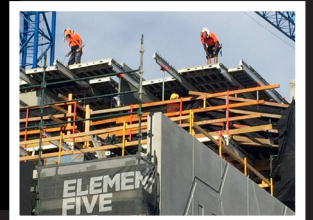
ELEMENT FIVE VCON

**PROTECT OUR INDUSTRY,
OUR SAFETY, OUR WAGES
AND CONDITIONS - DUMP
ELEMENT FIVE/VCON.**

Element Five/Vcon are a pimple on the arse of our industry. Their safety is a disgrace, they are paying below industry rates or worse below award levels and have even been caught out employing Labourers on 457 Visas.

It's a race to the bottom [an Element Dive] that has already cost a worker his life and put another in hospital with two broken wrists and a head injury already this year.

SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN - SPREAD THE WORD
SIGN THE PETITION: bit.ly/ElementFive



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