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**Mr ABBOTT** (Warringah—Leader of the House) (7.42 pm)—We have had this message from the Senate on the ASIO bill, as I indicated earlier. I gather now that the officials need more time to deal with this, to prepare the paperwork for the government to consider its response. For that reason, it is proposed that we have a dinner break now and come back at 9.15 p.m. to proceed.

**Sitting suspended from 7.43 p.m. to 9.15 p.m.**