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Senator STOTT DESPOJA (South Australia) (6.43 pm)—I move:

That the Senate notes that 9 August 2006 marks the international day of action for the justice of the Japanese ‘Comfort Women’, who 61 years after the conclusion of World War II, are still yet to receive an apology or any official acknowledgment of the grave human rights abuses that were suffered at the hands of the Japanese military.

Mr President, I am happy not to divide on this motion, but I was wondering whether senators or parties would be willing to indicate how they are voting.

The PRESIDENT—The Greens, the Democrats and the Labor Party are voting in support of the motion.

Question negatived.