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I have been asked to comment on the Video of Mr Bush that was released last evening by the Cayman Compass as, presumably, part of their series on sexual harassment.

Firstly, this video reminds me why the Progressives refused to campaign or form a government with Mr Bush following the elections. We could have come to an agreement with him and retained the Government but chose not to do so. That was not a serious option we could consider again after his admission of guilt and conviction by the Courts. Mr Bush's sentence was suspended for two years until 2022. We remain satisfied that we took the right decision.

Secondly, this is not an issue that we would use to gain political advantage. We wish to categorically state that we were not aware that the Compass was publishing the video until after the fact.

My final point is a personal one. It is especially important that everyone, particularly our young people, understand that the type of behaviour displayed in the video is not acceptable and cannot be condoned. As a society, we have a lot of work to do to raise awareness of and eradicate violence and harassment towards women.

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