

Full statement by The Bermuda Progressive Labour Party:

Like many Bermudians, we await the content of Premier Dunkley's National Address. Since the elevation of Michael Dunkley to the office of Premier, we have heard many promises, but seen little progress, and seen less openness and accountability.

Perhaps the public will be treated to answers on Jetgate- The very issue that allowed Premier Dunkley's ascension to the top position. Where does the criminal investigation stand? There has been no update recently except for the promotion to Cabinet of the very man that was forced to resign as Premier due to the Jetgate corruption scandal.

Perhaps the public will be informed of the whereabouts of the \$350,000 that was given to the OBA by a casino developer. We know that some was used for paid bloggers and dubious "grassroots" campaign activities but former OBA chairperson Thad Hollis resigned when it was alleged that internal investigations into the activities of high ranking OBA officials were blocked. What was discovered during this investigation has never been revealed.

Perhaps this broadcast will shed light on the loss of the Parlaville parking lot to foreign interests. Premier Dunkley and Deputy Premier Richards both supported the stance of guaranteeing this loan in the House of Assembly. Therefore the OBA government should be held accountable for this major loss. Perhaps this broadcast will touch on this issue.

Perhaps this broadcast will be the moment when the OBA stops blaming unemployed Bermudians for being out of work and unveils a real plan to create good paying jobs for Bermudians

We hope that the people of Bermuda will be given the answers they require rather than minutes of Premier Dunkley hypothesizing about potential, untested initiatives seemingly only geared towards benefiting the elite, the connected and the privileged.

We hope that on Monday's address that Premier Dunkley chooses to face the issues.