## Australian politician compares anti-GMO activists to ISIS

WA [West Australia] Upper House Liberal member and former grains farmer Jim Chown says anti-Genetically Modified (GM) crop activists are equal to Islamic State operatives, due to undue interference not only in legal farming systems, but also the courts.

In a speech ... using parliamentary privilege, Mr Chown doubled down on his questioning of anti-GM activities linked to the Marsh v Baxter legal test-case, to ventilate his concerns about the potential perverse outcomes of a current inquiry in the WA parliament into a proposed compensation fund for non-GM farmers.

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"It is now patently obvious that the anti-GM movement and its supporters are bereft of any morals and will take any action, whether it is legal or otherwise, to pursue its ideological stance against an agricultural crop that is grown over billions of acres worldwide, a crop that has justifiably been scientifically scrutinised and peer-reviewed to the point at which today it is without fear as the safest form of food that the human population on this planet has ever produced," he said.

"These anti-GM activists are, in effect, the equivalent of ISIS operatives."

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