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ILLEGAL PICKET AT WEBB DOCK DAMAGES VICTORIA'S REPUTATION

The Chief Executive of Victoria International Container Terminal Ltd, Mr Anders Dommestrup, said today the expansion of the illegal picket at Webb Dock through today's union-led demonstration was an outrageous piece of industrial behaviour that has no place in Victoria in 2017.

'The illegal picket is causing widespread hardship among Victoria's importers and exporters. It is damaging Victoria's reputation as a trading economy and as a destination for investment and gives an unmistakable signal that modern technology and ways of doing business are not welcome in Victoria if traditional unionism doesn't like it.

'The unions have failed all along to utilise the processes available under the Fair Work Act and continue to do so. The picket has never been necessary and still isn't.

'We appreciate the efforts of the Victorian government to help remove the picket but VICT cannot supply the remedy the unions are looking for.

'We will not employ someone who is ineligible for the security clearance required under Commonwealth law to work at VICT and who misled us for nine months about his security status.'

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