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## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **Duncan Kerr's statement on Cadbury's restructuring announcement**

It will come as a great relief that Cadbury has committed itself to investing in long-term production at Claremont, putting an end to today's speculation the factory's future was in doubt.

However, that relief is tempered by today's announcement that Cadbury intends to cut more than 300 jobs from three sites across Australia and New Zealand over the next two years.

The Cadbury chocolate factory opened in 1922 and over the years it has become an iconic feature of Hobart.

It is worth noting Cadbury's founders were pioneers in social justice and workplace fairness and I look forward to their legacy continuing during the looming restructuring process.

Our attention must now turn to the families directly affected by the restructuring and ensure they receive our full support as the detail of job losses at Claremont is made apparent.

I am pleased that Cadbury has committed to full negotiation with stakeholders, including unions, on how to manage the changes and I look forward to being kept fully informed of matters as they unfold.

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