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## Climate 200 founder Simon Holmes a Court 'Palmer of the left': Warren Mundine



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Prominent Indigenous leader Warren Mundine says insulting comments made by Climate 200 founder Simon Holmes a Court were a "disgrace" but unsurprising, and that the son of Australia's first billionaire is just "Clive Palmer but on the left".

Mr Mundine, chair of the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation, on Saturday was attacked on Twitter by Mr Holmes a Court, who labelled the former Liberal candidate a "grub" and a "flog" after he reposted an article by The Australian about Climate 200-backed candidate Zoe Daniel's criticism of Israel.

Mr Mundine said he was a "big supporter" of the Jewish community and Israel, as he labelled the Climate 200 founder's reaction a "very angry response" but added he was "just trying to throw his weight around".



Independent candidate for Goldstein, Zoe Daniel.

The Liberal Party's candidate for Gilmore at the 2019 federal election, Mr Mundine said claims the Climate 200-backed independents were not a political party were simply "rubbish".

"It's just rubbish, they're virtually mouthing the same things, they're all funded by the same bloke," he said. "He's trying to do a Clive Palmer but on the left. There's no doubt about it.

"He's just one of those filthy-rich spoiled brats who think they ... influence elections by spending millions and millions of dollars."

Mr Mundine's salvo came as the Climate 200 independents launched their election campaign.

Mr Holmes a Court declined to comment.