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IT HAS taken a joint effort by one of Australia's smallest companies and the world's largest company, but the world finally has a solution for the **Sir Michael Somare** feet problem.

Venerable Full Disclosure readers will remember the stink created when Brisbane Airport officers requested the Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea remove his shoes so the whole of Australia could be alert, but not alarmed. SMS did not take kindly to the blind, impartial application of the regulations and official complaints were made up

and down the country.

Well, Perth's **QRSciences** and the world's **General Electric Corporation** have come up with a solution for that exact diplomatic dilemma: bomb-in-shoe scanning. Using QRS's "quadrupole resonance" technology (don't ask), GE has developed a machine that allows shoes to be scanned for explosives while they still have feet in them.

QRS directors are excited at the prospect of having GE handle the marketing of its technology, but makers of room deodorants and pegs may not be so pleased.