The Territory Labor Government has strongly supported the local defence forces.

Transport and Infrastructure Minister Kon Vatskalis said it was also untrue that comments by Territory Labor politicians on the Iraqi situation had led to anti-American feelings in the community.

"As a current member of the airforce special reserves, I find Mr Burke’s comments offensive and opportunistic," Mr Vatskalis said.

"This Government has and always will fully support the Territory’s vast defence forces and community.

"I challenge Mr Burke to name one Territory Government politician who has not supported our local defence forces.

"We also have a strong and positive relationship with the United States.

"To suggest that any Territory Labor MP has said anything that would lead to a rise in anti-Americanism is another lie.

"Mr Burke has shown this week he can’t be trusted. He has got form on doing one thing and then saying something completely different for a headline."

Mr Vatskalis proudly said the Martin Government has three members who had either previously served or are current members of the Australian Defence Force and special reserves.