agitate /ˈædʒiteɪt/ verb

to argue strongly in public for something you want, especially a political or social change

***Cameron calls for 'gratuitous' attacks on Rudd to stop* : NAOMI WOODLEY: But there is a great agitating for him to be re-installed as prime minister. What would you say to those people who are actively campaigning for him to return to that job?**

**WA senator blasts ALP infighting, backs Rudd:**

**MARK BISHOP: If Ms Gillard wins on Monday and Mr Rudd remains on the backbench, I won't be advocating or agitating for him to re-emerge as a candidate full stop.**