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FORMER NAVAL CHIEF TO SUPERVISE AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION
IN CANADIAN EXHIBITION

Statement by the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies

Vice-Admiral Sir Hastings Harrington, K.B.E., C.B.E., D.S.O. has been appointed as Commissioner-General to represent Australia in connection with the International Exhibition - Expo. 67 - to be held in Montreal, Canada, between April and October, 1967 as part of the Canadian Government's celebration of the centenary of Canadian Confederation.

Sir Hastings, who recently retired as Chief of the Naval Staff, will be in charge of the special arrangements to be made for Australia's participation in the exhibition. The principal feature of this participation will be an Australian pavilion.

Expo. 67 has been approved as a First Category Exhibition by the International Bureau of Exhibitions. It takes as its theme "Man and His World" and will portray human accomplishments in various fields.

As part of the arrangements it is now making, the Australian Government proposes to appoint a representative committee which will be able to furnish expert advice and suggestions to the Commissioner-General on the nature of the Australian pavilion and other Australian participation. The Commissioner-General will also draw upon the resources of Commonwealth Departments and authorities and will be assisted by a small specialist staff. He will be in consultation with Government and other bodies as planning proceeds.

The office of the Commissioner-General will be attached to the Prime Minister's Department and will, for the time being, be located at Red Cross House, Hobart Place, Canberra City.

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