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VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF THAILAND

Statement by the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies

The Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, said in Canberra today that Field Marshal Thanom Kittikachorn, Prime Minister of Thailand, had accepted the Government's invitation to visit Australia as a guest. He would be accompanied by his wife.

The visit would take place from 28th October until 6th or 7th November. Consultations about the programme of engagements were now taking place and details would be announced later.

Sir Robert Menzies, in welcoming the Field Marshal's acceptance, recalled the visit by the King and Queen of Thailand in 1962, and said that this would be the first visit by a Head of Government from Thailand. It would further strengthen the cordial relations existing between the two countries.

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