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NOTICE TO ALL MEDIA

I would appreciate early advice from all news media planning to send correspondents to the Manila Conference.

In order that the necessary accreditation can be arranged, our Embassy urgently requires the names of Australian correspondents covering the conference. For use on identification tags, I need a passport size photograph of each correspondent as soon as possible.

I would also like to know proposed travel arrangements and whether accommodation in Manila has already been arranged.

Mr. Holt has agreed that newsmen may, if they wish, travel to and from Manila in the Prime Minister's special charter aircraft. They would be charged for their seats but the cost is likely to be less than the regular commercial return fare. I will require early advice from those who want to travel in the aircraft.

Camera men and photographers should let me have a list of their main equipment so that the Embassy can make the necessary arrangements with the Philippines Customs to prevent such equipment being placed in bond.

The latest estimate is that there will be over 600 correspondents visiting the Philippines for the conference.

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