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THE MINISTRY

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. John Gorton

A new Ministry will be sworn at noon on Wednesday next, 28 February.

With the authority of His Excellency the Governor-General, I release the following details of the new Cabinet and Ministry.

- 1. PRIME MINISTER The Hon. J.G. Gorton
- 2. DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY The Rt. Hon. J. McEwen
- 3. TREASURER The Rt. Hon. William McMahon
- 4. MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS The Rt. Hon. Paul Hasluck
- 5. MINISTER FOR DEFENCE The Hon. Allen Fairhall
- 6. MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRY The Hon. J.D. Anthony
- 7. POSTMASTER-GENERAL AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL The Hon. A.S. Hulme
- 8. MINISTER FOR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT The Hon. David Fairbairn, D.F.C.
- 9. MINISTER FOR LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE The Hon. L.H.E. Bury
- 10. MINISTER FOR SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT AND ASSISTING THE MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY The Hon. Ian Sinclair
- 11. MINISTER FOR SUPPLY AND LEADER OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SENATE Senator the Hon. Ken Anderson
- 12. MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND SCIENCE The Hon. Malcolm Fraser

- 13. MINISTER FOR AIR AND ASSISTING THE TREASURER The Hon. Gordon Freeth
- 14. MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL TERRITORIES The Hon. C.E. Barnes
- 15. MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION The Hon. R.W.C. Swartz, M.B.E., E.D.
- 16 MINISTER FOR IMMIGRATION AND LEADER OF THE HOUSE The Hon. B.M. Snedden, Q.C.
- 17. MINISTER FOR HEALTH The Hon. A.J. Forbes, M.C.
- 18. MINISTER FOR REPATRIATION Senator the Hon. G. Colin McKellar
- 19. MINISTER FOR HOUSING Senator the Hon. Dame Annabelle Rankin, D.B.E.
- 20. ATTORNEY-GENERAL The Hon. N.H. Bowen, Q.C.
- 21. MINISTER FOR THE NAVY The Hon. C.R. Kelly
- 22. MINISTER FOR THE INTERIOR The Hon. P.J. Nixon
- 23. MINISTER FOR THE ARMY The Hon. P.R. Lynch
- 24. MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS AND EXCISE Senator the Hon.

 Malcolm Scott
- 25. MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SERVICES AND MINISTER IN CHARGE OF ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS The Hon. W.C. Wentworth
- 26. MINISTER FOR WORKS AND UNDER THE MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER IN CHARGE OF TOURIST ACTIVITIES Senator the Hon. R.C. Wright

The first twelve Ministers named will comprise the Cabinet.

I have proposed to His Excellency that Mr. Lynch, Senator Scott, Mr. Wentworth and Senator Wright be sworn as Members of the Federal Executive Council.