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VISIT BY THE PRESIDENT OF NAURU

Statement by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. John McEwen

The Acting Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. John McEwen, announced today that His Excellency Hammer DeRoburt, President of the Republic of Nauru, would make an official visit to Australia commencing on Tuesday, 18 June.

Nauru is the first country Australia has sponsored for Independence. Mr. McEwen said that the forthcoming visit by its first President is warmly welcomed by the Australian Government and would further strengthen the strong ties of friendship and goodwill that exist between the two countries.

In the course of his official visit, the President will visit Melbourne from 18 to 24 June and Canberra from 24 to 29 June.

The arrival and departure of the President at the National Capital will be ceremonial occasions.

The President will be accompanied by Mrs. DeRoburt and Mr. Buraro Detudamo, Minister Assistant to the President.

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