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VISIT OF THE KING AND QUEEN
OF NEPAL

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. William McMahon

At the invitation of the Governor-General, Their Majesties The King and Queen of Nepal will visit Australia from Friday 23 April to Friday, 30 April.

The visit of King Mahendra Bir Bikram Shah Deva and Queen Ratna Rajya Lakshmi Devi Shah will give impetus to the steady development of the friendly relations between our two countries which has taken place in recent years and which has been marked by co-operation through the Colombo Plan.

Consultations are taking place to prepare a programme of engagements for Their Majesties' visit which will include stays in Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney, and an announcement of these details will be made later.

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