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NEW DEFENCE MINISTER

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. William McMahon

I have recommended to His Excellency, the Governor-General that the Honourable David Fairbairn be sworn in as the Minister for Defence.

His Excellency, the Governor-General, proposes to hold the Swearing-in at 2.30pm today, 13 August.

Mr. Fairbairn will, for the time being, continue to hold also the portfolio of Education and Science.

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