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## VISIT TO CANBERRA OF HIS EXCELLENCY HAMMER DeROBURT PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU

The Prime Minister, The Honourable E.G. Whitlam, Q.C., M.P., announced today that His Excellency Hammer DeRoburt, President of the Republic of Nauru, would officially visit Canberra from April 3 to April 5.

During his visit the President of Nauru will have talks with Mr. Whitlam and several other Government Ministers on matters of mutual interest between Australia and Nauru.

His Excellency will arrive at RAAF Base, Fairbairn, on a VIP flight from Melbourne, at 4.00pm tomorrow (Tuesday). He will be greeted by the Prime Minister and given a salute of 19 guns. The President will attend a dinner given in his honour tomorrow evening by the Governor-General and Lady Hasluck.

On Wednesday the President will have a busy programme of official engagements at Parliament House after making an inspection of the Australian War Memorial. He will also attend a ministerial luncheon and reply to addresses of welcome by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition.

His Excellency will have further talks at Parliament House on Thursday morning before leaving Canberra for Melbourne.

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