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AID TO FIJI

Australia is to give Fiji two large mobile rock crushing plants, costing a total of \$190,000.

Announcing this today, the Special Minister of State and Minister assisting the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Senator Willesee, said that the rock crushers are required by the Ministry of Communications, Works and Tourism which is responsible for the construction and maintenance of major roads throughout the islands.

With Fiji placing increasing emphasis on construction of roads and airfields on outlying islands where roads surfacing material is not available in natural form, the shortage of rock crushers is becoming critical and the supply of two mobile rock crushers by Australia will help overcome this situation.