

PRIME MINISTER

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PRIME MINISTER'S STAFF

Mr Darcy Tronson, who has been Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister since the latter part of last year, is rejoining the Federal Secretariat of the Liberal Party.

Until his appointment to the Prime Minister's staff, Mr Tronson had been Assistant to the Party's Federal Director.

He will return as Manager (Special Projects), augmenting the Party's head office staff in the lead-up to election year. This additional assistance at the Federal Secretariat will also permit the Federal Director, Mr Eggleton, to give more time to his responsibilites as Campaign Director and to his political advisory role.

The Prime Minister said today that he greatly appreciated the contribution that Darcy Tronson had made to the Private Office over the past year. He was glad that Mr Tronson would be returning to the Party's professional ranks, where his experience would be particularly valuable in the period ahead.

Mr Tronson will continue to serve as Principal Private Secretary for the time being, until alternative arrangements can be made for the management of the Prime Minister's office.

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