

FOR PRESS:

MESSAGE SENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO
GENERAL DE GAULLE ON HIS ASSUMING THE
PRESIDENCY OF FRANCE

"On behalf of myself, the Australian Government and the people of Australia, I extend to you warm congratulations on your election to the high office of President of France and send good wishes for the future.

I am certain that under your leadership, the cordial relations which have existed between our two countries for many years fostered by the comradeship of our soldiers in war will be maintained and strengthened."

CANBERRA, A.C.T.
8th January, 1959.