MEETING OF LEADERS.

Statement by the Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. R.G. Menzies, C.H., Q.C., MP.

"This is very good news. Nothing but benefit can come from meetings between the heads of government of the two most powerful countries in the world," Mr. Menzies said today.

"The exchange of visits will not only reduce the current tension but will also bring President Eisenhower and Mr. Khruschev into direct and, one may hope, personal friendly relations which will render a subsequent summit meeting easier and more likely to succeed."

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