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OFFICIAL SECRETARY AT AUSTRALIA HOUSE

Statement by the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. R.G. Menzies

The Prime Minister, Mr. Menzies, announced today that Mr. W.R. Cumming, C.V.O., had been appointed Official Socretary at Australia House, London.

Mr. Cuaming, an Assistant Secretary of the Prime Minister's Department, will leave for London with his family on 2nd April.

Mr. Cumming was Director-General of the highly successful visit to Australia last year of Her Royal Highness Princess Alexandra of Kent. He was A.C.T. Director of the visits by Her Majesty the Queen in 1954 and by The Queen Mother in 1958. He was Joint Director of the Australian visit by the Duke of Edinburgh in 1956.

Mr. Cumming is Secretary of the Commonwealth Literary Fund, and the Commonwealth Art Advisory Board.

CENBERRA, 13th March, 1960.