61/3056

## FOR PRESS :

## AUSTRALIAN MEDICAL TEAMS FOR THE COMGO

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

The Prime Minister announced to-day that he had approved a grant of £4,000 to the Australian Red Cross Society for work in the Congo.

The grant would enable the Red Cress to recruit two Australian medical teams to serve for the period February/June 1961.

This is in addition to the grant of £15,000 made to the Red Cross in August last year to help the Society send medical assistance to the Congo for a period of about six months.

## CANBERRA

January 26, 1961 - P.M.