

SPACE FLIGHT

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

The Prime Minister has sent the following message to President Kennedy through the Australian Ambassador in Washington :

"CONGRATULATIONS TO COLONEL GLENN, N.A.S.A. AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE UPON MAGNIFICENT SUCCESS OF PROJECT MERCURY. IT IS A TRIUMPH OF GREAT SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SKILL, MAGNIFICENT TEAM WORK AND PREPARATION, AND OUTSTANDING HUMAN COURAGE. WE WERE HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO TAKE SOME PART IN THE SAFETY ARRANGEMENTS THAT WERE MADE".

R.G. MENZIES

CANBERRA,
21st February, 1962.