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MESSAGE OF THANKS

Statement by the Prime Minister, the Rt.Hon. Sir Robert
Menzies

The Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, has sent the following message to the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom :-

"MAY I CONVEY TO YOU OUR DEEP THANKS FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF 6TH MARCH CONCERNING THE JUBILEE OF THE FOUNDING OF CANBERRA, AND OUR DELIGHTED ACCEPTANCE OF YOUR OFFER OF A GIFT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CANBERRA TO REFLECT OUR COMMON PARLIAMENTARY HERITAGE. THE GIFT WILL PLACE BEFORE THE EYES OF AUSTRALIANS A SYMBOL OF THAT TRADITION WHICH IS THE ESSENCE OF THE DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE IN BOTH OUR COUNTRIES.

IN DUE COURSE I HOPE TO BE IN TOUCH ON THE DETAILS OF THE FORM THAT THE GIFT MIGHT TAKE."

CANBERRA,

20th March, 1963.