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DEATH OF POPE JOHN

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

The world has lost a most remarkable man. He came to the great office of Pope at an unusually advanced age; yet in a few years he made an immense impact upon the world and upon the contacts between the Churches. He impressed everybody by his noble simplicity and Christian character. He was a splendid servant of humanity.

CANBERRA,

29th May, 1963.