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COMMONWEALTH GRANTS COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

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

The Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, announced today that the Government had re-appointed Mr. P.D. Phillips, Q.C., as Chairman of the Commonwealth Grants Commission for a further period of three years from 1st October, 1963, and re-appointed Sir Alexander Reid, C.M.G., I.S.O., as Member for a further term of two years from 1st October, 1963.

Mr. Phillips has been Chairman of the Commission for the past three years. Sir Alexander has been a Member of the Commission since 1954. The other Member of the Commission is Professor Wilfred Prest of Melbourne.

The Prime Minister also announced that Mr. M.O. Jager is to be appointed as Secretary to the Commonwealth Grants Commission following the death of the late K.J. McKenzie, O.B.E. Mr. Jager is at present Senior Lecturer in the Department of Economics and Commerce at Melbourne University.

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