

FOR PRESS :

FLOOD RELIEF

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

The Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, has sent the following telegram to the Premier of NewSouth Wales :-

"I HAVE LEARNT WITH CONCERN AND REGRET OF THE DISASTROUS FLOODS OCCURRING IN NEW SOUTH WALES. IF YOU FEEL THAT THE FACILITIES OF ANY COMMONWEALTH DEPARTMENT OR AUTHORITY COULD BE OF PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE TO YOU IN THE IMMEDIATE PERIOD WE STAND READY TO DO WHAT WE CAN.

I AM ASKING THE MINISTER FOR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATION WITH YOU IN THIS REGARD."

CANBERRA,
12th June, 1964.

The Premier of N.S.W. has asked for Commonwealth assistance towards the relief of personal distress and the Commonwealth will, of course, make this available in the usual way.