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AUSTRALIA DAY MESSAGE

Statement by the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon.  
Harold Holt

This is our national birthday. Birthdays call for celebration and we of the Australian family find much to rejoice about. We see in the Australia of 1966 a prosperous nation growing in stature and influence as it strides steadily forward. We live our lives in a climate of freedom, secured by laws of our own making. For us there are the excitements and challenges of growth, the responsibilities of keeping our nation secure and of giving out to others as our expanding economy enables.

Here is a country to be greatly enjoyed with all its unique beauty and infinite variety. Here is a country to be loved, to be served with devotion. May we all feel it in our hearts to strive the harder to make this Australia of ours a country of even more splendid tomorrows.

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CANBERRA,  
26th January, 1966.