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COMMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. HAROLD HOLT ON STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION, MR. CALWELL

The widely-reported statement attributed to the Federal Opposition Leader that Australian National Servicemen in Viet Nam apparently are being kept out of the most dangerous battle areas until after the Federal elections is a typical piece of Calwell fiction, utterly without foundation, recklessly made, mischievous in its effects and offensive in its implications.

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