VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF MALTA Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Holt

The Honourable Dr. Giorgio Borg Olivier, Prime Minister of Malta, G.C., will visit Australia as a guest of the Government from 1st to 12th November.

Australians recalling the gallant resistance of the Maltese people during the years of the Second World War will warmly welcome this visit. It will also have special interest for those many thousands of Maltese who have settled here under the immigration programme.

At the recent Prime Ministers' Conference in London, Dr. Borg Olivier told me how much he was looking forward to his visit to Australia which is home to the biggest Maltese community outside of Malta itself.

In New South Wales, Dr. Borg Olivier will visit Sydney from 1st-3rd November and the Snowy Mountains on 9th and 10th November.

In Victoria, he will visit Melbourne from 4th to 7th November and will then travel to Canberra on the 8th, returning to Canberra from the Snowy to attend the Remembrance Day Ceremony on 11th November.

He will leave Sydney for the United States and Europe on Saturday, 12th November.

In addition to leading the Government of Malta as Prime Minister, Dr. Borg Olivier is Minister of Commonwealth and Foreign Affairs. On his Australian visit, he will be accompanied by Mr. F.E. Amato-Gauci, M.B.E., Secretary of Commonwealth and Foreign Affairs.

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