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## MINISTER FOR REPATRIATION MAKES CHRISTMAS VISIT TO SOUTH VIET NAM

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Holt

The Minister for Repatriation, Senator McKellar, will visit Australian Forces in South-East Asia later this month.

He will see our servicemen in Viet Nam, Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore, and will spend Christmas Day with Australian troops in South Viet Nam. Both the Minister for Defence and the Minister for the Army have recently visited Australian troops in Viet Nam.

During his brief tour, Senator McKellar will be able to meet personally many of those for whose welfare he is responsible on their discharge.

Senator McKellar will be accompanied by the Chairman of the Repatriation Commission, Brigadier F.O. Chilton. They are due to leave Sydney next Thursday, returning to Australia on 31st December.

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