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ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Holt

Arrangements are being made for a further series of economic consultations with representatives of industry, commerce, and the trade unions. The Government continues to derive considerable benefit from these discussions as a valuable means of keeping itself fully informed on current and prospective developments in the economy.

A group of senior Ministers will meet representatives of a group of national organisations in Canberra on the morning of 13th February. The organisations invited to attend are:

Associated Chambers of Manufactures of Australia
Associated Chambers of Commerce of Australia
National Farmers' Union of Australia
Australian Primary Producers' Union
Australian Woolgrowers' and Graziers' Council
Australian Wool and Meat Producers' Federation
Australian Bankers' Association
Master Builders' Federation of Australia
Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries
Australian Council of Retailers

In the afternoon of that day separate meetings will take place with the Manufacturing Industries Advisory Council and the Export Development Council and in the evening with representatives of the Australian Council of Trade Unions.

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