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VISIT BY PRINCESS ALEXANDRA

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Holt

It has been announced in London that Princess Alexandra and her husband, Mr. Angus Ogilvy, will make a private visit to Australia beginning on 24th February and lasting for about a week. In the course of the visit, Mr. Ogilvy will be attending to business interests in Australia. Princess Alexandra and Mr. Ogilvy will already have made an official visit to Burma before coming to Australia.

Although Princess Alexandra's visit will be private in character, the Australian people, with their very happy recollections of her earlier visit, will welcome her back to Australia. The idea that she will spend what will be a virtual holiday here will give its own pleasure to the Australian people.

Princess Alexandra and Mr. Ogilvy will begin their visit in Canberra and will stay with the British High Commissioner and his wife, Sir Charles and Lady Johnston, who are family friends of many years. Later they will move to Sydney where they will stay at Kirribilli House as guests of the Commonwealth Government.

Although the visit is private and will therefore be without a list of formal engagements, I hope that Princess Alexandra will find opportunities to move about. I am sure this would be her wish as well as ours.

CANBERRA,
30th January, 1967.