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SALE OF O.T.C. LAND AT APPLECROSS, PERTH
TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Joint statement by the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Harold Holt, C.H., M.P., and the Honourable David Brand, M.L.A., Premier of Western Australia

"It was announced today that the Commonwealth Government and the Western Australian Government had reached agreement on terms for the disposal by the Commonwealth of the Overseas Telecommunication's Radio Transmitting Station site at Applecross, near Perth.

The O.T.C. is soon to vacate the area which comprises some 99 acres and fronts the Canning Highway. The area, known as Wireless Hill, is a bushland site with views over the Swan and Canning Rivers and the State Government had expressed the desire to have it reserved in perpetuity for public recreation purposes.

The Commonwealth had given sympathetic consideration to this proposal and had advised that it was prepared to make the whole area available to the State for \$600,000. This is a concessional figure representing 50 per cent of the commercial valuation and has regard to the State's intended public use of the land. The Premier today advised the Prime Minister that the Western Australian Government was pleased to accept the offer".

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24th October, 1967.