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DEATH OF PRESIDENT OF INDIA

Tribute from the Acting Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. John McEwen

The Acting Prime Minister, Mr. John McEwen, has sent the following message to the Prime Minister of India, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, on the death of the President of India, Dr. Zakir Husain:-

"IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I LEARNED OF THE SUDDEN DEATH OF PRESIDENT ZAKIR HUSAIN. TO YOU, TO YOUR GOVERNMENT, AND TO THE PEOPLE OF INDIA MAY I ON MY OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF AUSTRALIA EXPRESS OUR SINCEREST SYMPATHIES FOR THIS SUDDEN LOSS. I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD CONVEY OUR SYMPATHIES TO THE LATE PRESIDENT'S FAMILY."

CANBERRA
5 May 1969