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ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr John Gorton

In Sydney today, the Government met with representatives of industry and commerce. Ministers conferred with representatives of national organisations in three groups - primary industry, manufacturing industry and commerce.

These economic consultations, which are held at half-yearly intervals, were once again valuable in providing Ministers with an appreciation of the views of those directly involved in commerce and industry.

The consultations will continue tomorrow, when Ministers will have separate discussions with representatives of the Export Development Council, the Manufacturing Industries Advisory Council and the Australian Council of Trade Unions.

CANBERRA,
4 February 1970

NOTE : Attached is a list of those who participated in today's talks

NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS REPRESENTED AT
ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS

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Primary Industry Group

Australian Farmers' Federation	President Mr L. R. Forrester
Australian Wool Growers' and Graziers' Council	President Mr B. A. Wright
Australian Wool and Meat Producers' Federation	President Mr R. V. Sewell, OBE
Australian Wheat Growers' Federation	President Mr K. M. McDougall
Australian Mining Industry Council	Immediate Past President Sir George Fisher

Manufacturing Industry Group

The Associated Chambers of Manufactures of Australia	Executive Member Mr W. W. Pettingell
Master Builders' Federation	President Mr R. S. Prentice
Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries	Vice-President Mr N. W. Lawrance

Commercial Group

Associated Chambers of Commerce of Australia	President Mr G. M. Hastie, OBE
Australian Bankers' Association	President Mr N. A. Jackson
Australian Council of Retailers	President Mr T. Luxton, CSO, MBE