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NEW PRESS SECRETARY FOR PRIME MINISTER

The Federal Political Correspondent for the Adelaide "Advertiser", Mr. Reg MacDonald, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Tony Eggleton as Press Secretary to the Prime Minister.

Mr. MacDonald has been in the Federal Parliamentary Press Gallery since July 1970. Previously he served in London as a member of the Melbourne "Herald's" European bureau and is a former columnist for the Adelaide "Advertiser".

He will join the Prime Minister's personal staff next month. Mr. Eggleton will leave for London in April to take up his appointment as Director of Information at the Commonwealth Secretariat.

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Background Note

Mr. MacDonald was born in the Western District of Victoria in 1935. He attended Melbourne University. He is married with two children.