

FOR PRESS:

PM No. 31/1971

PERMANENT HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. William McMahon

On 12 March 1971 I announced that His Excellency the Governor-General in Council had established two new Departments of State and abolished two existing Departments.

One of the two new Departments is the Department of the Vice-President of the Executive Council.

His Excellency has today approved of the appointment of Sir Lenox Hewitt as The Secretary to the Department of the Vice-President of the Executive Council.

As I indicated on 12 March, Sir Lenox will retain his status as a senior level Permanent Head.

CANBERRA
17 March 1971