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DEATH OF BRIGADIER SIR FREDERICK GALLEGHAN Tribute by the Prime Minister, Mr William McMahon

It was with regret that I learnt of the death of Brigadier Sir Frederick Galleghan.

He had a long and distinguished career in both peace and war. The only Australian citizen soldier to have held a commission for more than fifty years, he will chiefly be remembered as the man who led Australia's first action in Malaya during World War II and later became Australian commander at Changi Prison.

On behalf of the Government, I extend sincere sympathy to his widow.

CANBERRA, 20 April 1971