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## MR BURY'S RESIGNATION

Tribute by the Prime Minister, Mr William McMahon

I want to pay a personal tribute to the dedicated service that Mr Bury has given to Australia as a member of the Commonwealth Ministry.

After an earlier period as Minister for Air, Mr Bury was Minister for Housing in 1964-1965, then a new portfolio. He was Minister for Labour and National Service from 1966 until 1969. He served as Commonwealth Treasurer in 1970 and early 1971, and since March 1971 he has been Minister for Foreign Affairs.

This is an impressive record, and one in which he can take great pride. He has earned the gratitude of all Australians.

My own association with Mr Bury has been a long and pleasant one.

CANBERRA, 1 August 1971