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RETIREMENT OF SIR ALLEN BROWN

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr William McMahon

Sir Allen Brown, CBE, a former Ambassador to Japan and, earlier, Permanent Head of the Prime Minister's Department and Secretary to Cabinet, will retire from the Commonwealth Service with effect from 30 September 1971.

Sir Allen has had a distinguished career with the Commonwealth Service, holding a number of senior appointments and showing himself to be an outstanding public servant both in Australia and overseas.

Sir Allen's appointments as Australian representative on the Board of the British Phosphate Commissioners and Australian Commissioner on the Christmas Island Phosphate Commission are not affected by his retirement from the Commonwealth Service. He will also be completing his current work as Chairman of the Committee of Inquiry into Higher Education in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea and as a Member of the Defence Legal Services Committee.

CANBERRA,
26 September 1971

BIOGRAPHICAL BACKGROUND

ALLEN STANLEY BROWN

- Date of Birth : 3 July 1911
- Academic Qualifications : MA, LL. M, ACIA
- Decorations, Honours, Awards : CBE (1953), Kt. (1956)
- History :
- Prior to 1942 : In legal practice
 - 1942-1944 : Executive Officer, later Assistant Director, Rationing Commission
 - 1944-1948 : Chief Executive Officer, Department of Post-War Reconstruction
 - 1949 : Director-General, Department of Post-War Reconstruction
 - 1949-1958 : Secretary, Prime Minister's Department (at that time including role as Secretary to the Cabinet)
 - 1959-1965 : Deputy High Commissioner, London
 - 1965-1970 : Australian Ambassador to Japan
 - 1970-1971 : Chairman, Committee of Inquiry into Higher Education in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea
- Member of the Defence Legal Services Committee
- Australian Representative on the Board of the British Phosphate Commissioners
- Australian Commissioner on the Christmas Island Phosphate Commission
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