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## RE-APPOINTMENT OF SIR ALEXANDER DOWNER Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. William McMahon

Sir Alexander Downer, K.B.E., has been re-appointed as High Commissioner for Australia in the United Kingdom for a further term until 24 October 1972.

Sir Alexander has been serving Australia's interests in the United Kingdom with great distinction for almost seven years, and I am very grateful that he has agreed to carry on for another year.

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