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ARMY JUNGLE TRAINING CENTRE - CANUNGRA

Statement by the Prime Minister, The Rt. Hon. William McMahon

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The Prime Minister, Mr. McMahon, announced today that Cabinet had approved the construction of additional training facilities at the Army Jungle Training Centre, Canungra, 40 miles south-west of Brisbane.

The project, to cost a total of \$7 million, will include a new tactics training wing, new lecture rooms, additional sleeping accommodation, messing and recreational facilities, and stores buildings.

The first stage, the construction of the tactics wing and sleeping and mess accommodation, is scheduled for 1972/73 and will cost \$2.5 million.

The Jungle Training Centre is responsible for training all ranks in a wide range of subjects including tactics, administration and battle efficiency tests.

Since the Jungle Training Centre was built the Regular Army has doubled in size and the number and scope of courses has increased enormously. It is now the Army school with the largest staff and the highest student throughput.

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