



# PRIME MINISTER

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## COLOUR TELEVISION

Statement by the Prime Minister, Mr. William McMahon CH,MP.

Colour Television services will be inaugurated in Australia as from 1st March 1975, with transmission commencing at any time after that date provided the Broadcasting Control Board's technical standards are met. The date of 1st March 1975 is in accordance with the undertaking to give three years' notice of the date of inauguration. The National service will be developed on a phased basis in the light of the availability of funds and the work load devolving on the Post Office and the Australian Broadcasting Commission.

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CANBERRA,

15 February, 1972.