

PRIME MINISTER

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ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS

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

Invitations have been extended for the next annual series of economic consultations between Ministers and the representatives of national organisations to be held in Sydney from 31 May to 2 June inclusive. As agreed last year the consultations will extend over three days so that more time will be available for discussion of issues of particular concern.

On 31 May Ministers will meet national organisations representing the Primary Industry Group and later the Manufacturing Industry Group.

On 1 June representatives of the Manufacturing Industries Advisory Council, the Export Development Council and the Australian Mining Industry Council will have discussions with Ministers.

On 2 June Ministers will meet with representatives of the Australian Council of Trade Unions and later with organisations representing the Commerce Group.

Attached is a timetable showing national organisations to be represented.

Canberra 19 May 1972

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31 May

Primary Industry Group :

10.00 a.m.

Australian Farmers' Federation Australian Woolgrowers' and Graziers' Council Australian Wool and Meat Producers' Federation Australian Wheatgrowers' Federation

Manufacturing Industry Group :

2.30 p.m.

The Associated Chambers of Manufacturers of Australia The National Building and Construction Council Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries

1 June

Manufacturing Industries Advisory Council: 10.00 a.m.

Export Development Council: 2.30 p.m.

Australian Mining Industry Council: 4.30 p.m.

2 June

<u>Australian Council of Trade Unions</u>: 10.00 a.m. <u>Commerce Group</u>: 2.30 p.m.

The Associated Chambers of Commerce of Australia Australian Bankers' Association Australian Council of Retailers