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## PRIME MINISTER

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### RACIALLY SELECTED SPORTING TEAMS

The Prime Minister, Mr Whitlam, announced today that in future racially selected sporting teams would be excluded from Australia.

The South African Government has been informed of the decision.

Mr Whitlam said that transit through Australia for sporting teams selected on a racial basis would also be prevented.

"The Australian Government's position on such visits is now quite clear".

Shipping and airline companies operating international services to Australia are being informed of the decision.

Mr Whitlam said he was confident that the government would get the co-operation of the companies on the question.

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