



**PRIME MINISTER**

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**PRIME MINISTER'S MEETING WITH PREMIERS OF N.S.W.,  
VICTORIA AND SOUTH  
AUSTRALIA**

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The Prime Minister, Mr. Whitlam, will meet with the Premiers of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia in Canberra at 10.00 a.m. tomorrow (Friday, 2 March) to discuss the problems of the River Murray basin.

Mr. Whitlam said today that the discussions would place particular emphasis on water quality and the role of the River Murray Commission in dealing with basin problems.

Mr. Whitlam said that water quality is of particular concern to the Government of South Australia and that there should be a useful discussion on the views of the four Governments on this matter, and also on other aspects of the Commission and River Murray water development and management that might arise.

CANBERRA, A.C.T.