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PORTRAIT OF PRIME MINISTER

It was announced today that Mr. Clifton Pugh's Archibald Prize winning painting of Mr. Whitlam had been acquired by the Historic Memorials Committee as the Prime Minister's official portrait.

The painting is presently on exhibition in a Melbourne gallery. It will be sent to Canberra after the exhibition and will go on display in Kings Hall, Parliament House.

The Historic Memorials Committee, consisting of the Prime Minister, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Vice-President of the Executive Council, the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives and the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, is the body charged with acquiring official portraits of Governors-General, Prime Ministers, Presidents of the Senate and Speakers of the House of Representatives.

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