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## AMBASSADOR TO THE O.E.C.D.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr Whitlam, announced today the appointment of Mr Roy Cameron as Australian Ambassador to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development to succeed Sir Ronald Walker, C.B.E., who will retire at the end of July.

Mr Cameron, who is 50, is First Assistant Secretary in the Treasury in charge of the Transportation and Industry Division. He has served in this position since 1966. Mr Cameron was educated at Adelaide and Harvard Universities. He served in the A.I.F. from 1943-46. He was a Lecturer in Economics at the Canberra University College during the period 1949-51 and served as economist with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development from 1954-56. Mr Cameron served as Senior Treasury Representative in London in 1966 at which stage he returned to Canberra where he has been stationed since.

The Minister noted that Australia placed considerable importance on its participation in all aspects of the work of the O.E.C.D. He said that Mr Cameron had had broad experience in economic and financial matters and would be a fitting successor to Sir Ronald Walker who had given long and distinguished service to Australia in the economic field and in international relations generally.