

PRIME MINISTER

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PRICES JUSTIFICATION TRIBUNAL

The Prime Minister, Mr Whitlam, announced today the further action which has been taken to bring the Prices Justification Act into operation on 1 August 1973.

The following further appointments have been made to the Tribunal:

Mr J.K. Lawrence

Dr A. Fels

Mr R.N.R. Johnston

Mr Lawrence is at present First Assistant Auditor-General and he will be a full-time member of the Tribunal. Dr Fels is the Senior Lecturer in Economics at Monash University with special qualifications in the required field and Mr Johnston is a Melbourne chartered accountant with wide experience. Dr Fels and Mr Johnston will be part-time members of the Tribunal.

Mr Justice Williams of the Conciliation and Arbitration Commission had been appointed Chairman of the Tribunal on 1 June, the day the act received the Governor-General's assent.

For the time being the head office of the Tribunal will be located at 4 Treasury Place, East Melbourne.

The Chairman of the Tribunal proposes to issue an announcement shortly regarding the functioning of the Tribunal.

Staff positions were advertised in the Gazette and the press on 21 June.

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