

PRIME MINISTER

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VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF NEW ZEALAND

The Prime Minister of New Zealand, the Right Honourable Norman Kirk and Mrs. Kirk will make an official visit to Australia from 13 November to 17 November 1973.

The visit will begin in Canberra with an arrival on Tuesday 13 November. The Prime Minister will officially open the Chancery of the New Zealand High Commission in the afternoon and he and Mrs. Kirk will be the guests of the Governor-General and Lady Hasluck for dinner that evening.

Mr. Kirk will have official talks at Prime Minister level and with Cabinet Ministers on Wednesday afternoon 14 November. That evening he and Mrs. Kirk will be the guests of honour at a Parliamentary Reception at Parliament House.

The Prime Minister and his wife are due to make a day visit to Melbourne on Thursday 15 November and to arrive in Sydney on Thursday evening 15 November where they will stay until their departure for New Zealand on Saturday 17 November.

The visit by the New Zealand Prime Minister is a follow-up to the discussions in New Zealand in January this year when it was agreed to meet at least once a year for an overall review of relations between Australia and New Zealand.

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