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AUSTRALIA CONTRIBUTES TO POPULATION FUND ACTIVITIES

The Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr E.G. Whitlam, announced today that Australia would contribute in the current financial year \$200,000 to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities and \$100,000 to the International Planned Parenthood Federation.

Mr Whitlam said that the decision had been taken after consultations with the Agencies, and following advice from departments concerned. The decision had been taken in the light of the important role population programmes have in the economic and social development of many developing countries.

The United Nations Fund for Population Activities and the International Planned Parenthood Federation are channels for widespread international effort in this field.