



PRIME MINISTER

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**INDUSTRIES ASSISTANCE COMMISSION ACT
TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY
MOTOR VEHICLE TYRES**

The Prime Minister, Mr Whitlam, announced today that he had sent a reference to the Temporary Assistance Authority on whether it is necessary that urgent action be taken to protect the Australian industry in relation to the importation of motor vehicle tyres.

Mr Whitlam said that the reference followed representations made by the Australian Tyre Manufacturers' Association concerning injury to the tyre industry caused by import competition.

Under the Act the Authority is required to report within 30 days.

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