



**PRIME MINISTER**

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**APPOINTMENTS TO THE GRANTS COMMISSION, THE AUSTRALIAN  
ATOMIC COMMISSION AND THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF**

The Prime Minister, Mr Whitlam announced today that the Executive Council had agreed to the following appointments.

Mr D.V. Moye, who is Secretary of the Grants Commission, has been appointed a full-time member of the Grants Commission from 1 January 1975. His appointment is for a five year term. He will take the place of Mr J.F. Nimmo who since 1 March 1974 has been Commissioner of an Inquiry into Transport Charges to and from Tasmania. Mr Moye has been acting in Mr Nimmo's place on the Grants Commission since that time.

Professor Harry Messel has been appointed to a vacant position on the Australian Atomic Commission and will take up the position immediately.

Air Vic Marshal J.A. Rowland, D.F.C., A.F.C., will become Chief of the Air Staff from 21 March 1975 for a period of three years. He succeeds Air Marshal C.F. Read, C.B.E., D.F.C., A.F.C., whose appointment expires on 20 March 1975. Air Vice Marshal Rowland will be promoted to the rank of Air Marshal from 21 March 1975.

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