



PRIME MINISTER

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO DARWIN

The Prime Minister, Mr. Whitlam, said today that after his arrival in Perth late afternoon, Friday 27 December, he would fly onto Alice Springs where he would stay overnight.

Mr. Whitlam is due to leave Alice Springs at 6.00 a.m. on Saturday 28 December, arriving in Darwin at 8.05 a.m. He will be accompanied by Mr. John Menadue, Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and members of his staff.

The Prime Minister will spend the whole of the day in the Darwin area. So that rescue operations and accommodation facilities will not be inconvenienced by his visit he will leave in the late evening for Mt. Isa.

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