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PRIME MINISTER

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MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

With the approval of the Governor-General the Prime Minister today announced ministerial changes following the illness of the Minister for the Environment, Housing and Community Development, Senator Ivor Greenwood.

The Prime Minister said he had recommended withdrawal of Senator Greenwood's commission with deep regret, and only after full consideration of medical advice.

The Prime Minister said he and his colleagues looked forward to the time when Senator Greenwood's health would be sufficiently improved to enable him to lead an active life.

The Minister for Repatriation, Mr Kevin Newman, is to be appointed Minister for the Environment, Housing and Community Development.

Senator Peter Durack is to be appointed Minister for Repatriation.

The Governor-General will make the appointments of Mr Newman and Senator Durack to their new offices later this week.

The Minister for Social Security, Senator Margaret Guilfoyle, will become a member of the Cabinet.

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