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PRIME MINISTER

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MINISTER TO ASSIST THE PRIME MINISTER IN THE ARTS

The Prime Minister announced today that he has appointed a Minister to assist him in matters relating to the Arts.

The Hon. A.A. Staley, M.P., Minister for the Capital Territory, will assist the Prime Minister in matters relating to the Arts including in respect of the Australia Council, Australian National Gallery, Australian Film Commission, the Film and Television School and the Australian Authors' Fund.

As is the practice when Ministers assist the Prime Minister in specific policy areas, the Prime Minister will continue to be involved in major policy considerations.

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