



PRIME MINISTER

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The Prime Minister has sent the following message to President Carter:

"Please accept the best wishes and congratulations of Australia on this, the day of your inauguration.

The great office of President of the United States commands the loyalty and respect of all free men.

In this, the first year of the third century of American democracy, your inauguration is uniquely auspicious.

The goodwill of my countrymen, my Government and myself goes with you on this day, and is committed to the fullest co-operation between us in the tasks ahead."
