



PRIME MINISTER

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GIFT OF BULL TO INDONESIA

The gift of a Black Angus bull to the President of Indonesia, Dr. Soeharto, is announced today.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Malcolm Fraser, said that in making the gift, the Australian Government wanted to make a positive contribution, not only to the development of the President's herd, but also to the improvement of breeds at the village level.

The bull, TE MANIA TOLERANCE, was purchased at auction today at the Suzuki Black Angus Classic at a purchase price of \$2,700. The bull was bred in Barongarook West, Victoria, and is 2 years 11 months of age.

It will be used in experimental breeding programmes at the President's farm at Tapos in the hills above Jakarta.

The bull was selected and purchased by experts of the Australian Bureau of Animal Health and the Angus Society of Australia.

The judge of the class considered TE MANIA TOLERANCE was an extremely good bull, very well formed, and ideal for the purposes for which it was acquired.

Special arrangements are being made for health, breeding soundness tests and vaccinations.

The bull will be transported by road to Werribee, where it will remain for two weeks. It will then be transported to Brisbane, where it will remain for one to two months for tests, prior to transportation to Jakarta.