



PRIME MINISTER

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OFFICIAL VISIT TO BRITAIN

The Prime Minister is making a visit to Britain as a guest of the British Government on 2-3 June, during the week preceding the meeting in London of Commonwealth Heads of Government.

He will have discussions with the British Prime Minister, Mr. Callaghan, and with other Ministers, and a meeting with the British Opposition Leader, Mrs. Thatcher. He will also have an audience with the Queen.

The Prime Minister said he welcomed this invitation to make an official visit to Britain on the eve of the Commonwealth conference.

He looked forward to discussions and contacts that would strengthen the close link with Britain.

While in London, the Prime Minister will present to the Commonwealth Secretary General, Mr. Shridath S. Ramphal, a Silver Jubilee portrait of the Queen. Prince Charles will attend the presentation ceremony.

The portrait, by the Australian artist, Mr. Paul Fitzgerald, is a gift from the Australian Government. It will be on permanent display at the Commonwealth Secretariat Headquarters at Marlborough House in London.