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PRIME MINISTER

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VISIT BY HRH THE PRINCE OF WALES

Details of the program for the visit to the Australian Capital Territory this month by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales were released today.

The Prince of Wales is scheduled to arrive at RAAF Base Fairbairn on the afternoon of Saturday 24 March. He will be received by the Governor-General and Mr. Hunt, representing the Prime Minister.

While in Canberra His Royal Highness will stay with the Governor-General and Lady Cowen at Government House.

On Sunday the Prince of Wales will attend Divine Service at St. John's Church, Reid, and that evening will attend a Reception for young people arranged by the Prime Minister and Mrs. Fraser at the Lodge.

On Monday morning His Royal Highness will be inducted as a Royal Fellow at the Silver Jubilee anniversary celebrations of the Australian Academy of Science.

Following the Academy's Silver Jubilee lunch at University House, Prince Charles will unveil a plaque commemorating the Silver Jubilee of the opening of University House by his father the Duke of Edinburgh.

During the afternoon His Royal Highness will receive at Government House representatives from the Royal Australian Armoured Corps, members and ex-students of the United World Colleges and participants in "Operation Drake".

On Monday evening His Royal Highness will be guest of honour at a dinner given by the Governor-General and Lady Cowen at Government House.

His Royal Highness will lay a wreath on the Commemorative Stone when he visits the Australian War Memorial on Tuesday morning. He will then visit the Queanbeyan City Council Chambers before going on to inaugurate the Googong Water Supply Project.

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The Prince of Wales will be guest of honour at a Parliamentary Lunch which the Prime Minister will host at Parliament House that day.

Later that afternoon His Royal Highness will attend a Reception at Government House for members of The Queen Elizabeth The Second Silver Jubilee Trust for Young Australians.

On Tuesday evening His Royal Highness will dine at The Lodge as the guest of the Prime Minister and Mrs. Fraser.

The Prince of Wales will inspect a Guard of Honour at RAAF Base Fairbairn and a twenty-one gun salute will be fired before he leaves Canberra on Wednesday morning 28 March. He will be farewelled by the Governor-General and the Prime Minister.

Following his official visit to Canberra The Prince of Wales will spend three days privately on Lizard Island before leaving Australia on Sunday 1 April by RAF VC10 from Townsville.

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