

PRIME MINISTER

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THE ANTARCTIC AIR CRASH

The Prime Minister sent the following message to the prime Minister of New Zealand.

"My Dear Rob,

I was shocked to hear of the terrible air disaster in Antarctica yesterday in which so many lost their lives.

My colleagues and I on behalf of all Australians would like to extend our heartfelt condolences to your Government and to the people of New Zealand, and most especially, to the families of the passengers.

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Yours sincerely,

Malcolm Fraser