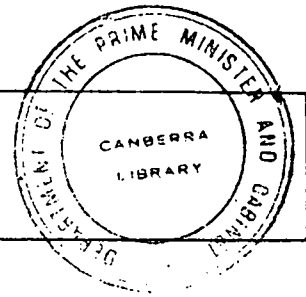




# PRIME MINISTER



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## CYCLONE SIMON

The Prime Minister today sent a message to the Acting Premier of Queensland expressing concern over the widespread wind and rainstorms that are lashing the Queensland coast causing damage to property and danger to life as a result of Cyclone Simon's passage southwards.

Mr Fraser said that while he had not received a full report on the extent of the damage caused by Cyclone Simon, the Commonwealth stands ready to provide Queensland with whatever aid proves necessary under the agreed natural disaster assistance arrangements.

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