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# PRIME MINISTER

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PRESENTATION OF

SILVER JUBILEE GIFT

This is a very happy occasion indeed. Three years ago, to commemorate Her Majesty's Silver Jubilee, we offered Her Majesty a filly or a horse.

Then it was only a thought, an idea, but very nearly three years later, we have the result for which we thank Colin Hayes and Dr McDermott who is part owner of its dam.

It has been a long and extensive exercise. A number of mares were mated for the northern season and I know quite well that Colin Hayes was not going to make a final selection until he thought that there was a filly good enough and fast enough to carry Your Majesty's colours to victory in the United Kingdom.

I am quite sure that not only he, but hundreds of thousands of Australians will be following the career of this, as yet unnamed, filly, and will be wishing the new owner all the best and very many victories in the years ahead.

Your Majesty, I have very great pleasure, on behalf of the Australian Government and the Australian people, to present to you the Silver Jubilee gift from all the people of Australia.

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