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PRIME MINISTER

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THURSDAY, 19 FEBRUARY, 1981

VISIT BY THE PRINCE OF WALES

The Prince of Wales has approved the program for his sixteen day visit to Australia in April.

His Royal Highness will arrive in Canberra by RAF VC 10 from New Zealand on Sunday 12 April and depart for overseas at the end of the visit on Monday 27 April.

The Prince of Wales will be in Canberra 12-14 April, New South Wales 14-16 April, Victoria 16-21 April, Tasmania 12-23 April and South Australia 23-27 April.

As announced previously, the Prince of Wales will open the Fiftieth Anniversary Convention of Apex Clubs of Australia in Geelong on Friday 17 April.

In Canberra The Prince of Wales will be accorded a ceremonial welcome at the RAAF Base, Fairbairn.

That evening His Royal Highness will be the guest of the Prime Minister and Mrs. Fraser at dinner at the Lodge.

On Monday 13 April His Royal Highness will meet at Government House members and ex-students of the United World Colleges Trust. The Prince of Wales is the President of the International Council of that organisation. Later that afternoon as Patron of the Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Trust for Young Australians, His Royal Highness will meet Trust members and beneficiaries.

On the same day His Royal Highness will visit the Australian War Memorial where he will lay a wreath and open the Hall of Valour, a new Gallery to perpetuate the memory of outstanding deeds of courage by Australian servicemen.

His Royal Highness will also visit the National Headquarters of the Bible Society in the city.

His Royal Highness will lunch as guest of honour with the Commonwealth High Commissioners and their wives.

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On Monday evening The Prince of Wales will attend a dinner at Government House given by the Governor-General and Lady Cowen.

His Royal Highness will undertake in the States a varied program of engagements involving civic, scientific, academic, agricultural, sporting and other interests.

Premiers will announce details of the programs in each of the States to be visited.

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