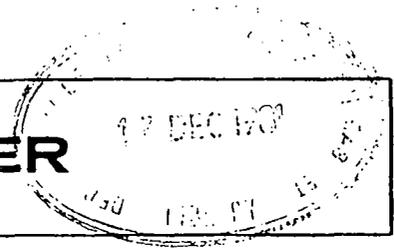




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WEDNESDAY, 16 DECEMBER 1981

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

The Federal Executive Council has today approved the appointment of Mr T. P. Hayes as Secretary, Department of Business and Consumer Affairs.

Mr Hayes is currently Deputy Secretary, Department of Defence. He has previously served in the Department of the Treasury/Finance and in the former Department of Supply.

Mr Hayes succeeds Mr M. A. Besley as head of the Department of Business and Consumer Affairs. Mr Besley is on leave pending retirement from the Service to take a position in private industry. Mr Hayes will take up his new position on 14 March 1982.

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