



PRIME MINISTER

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ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE ACTIVITIES
OF THE BUILDERS LABOURERS' FEDERATION

The Prime Minister and the Premier of Victoria jointly announced today that the life of the BLF Royal Commission had been extended to 30 April 1982.

As is apparent from reports of its proceedings, the Commission has been examining evidence of serious malpractice in relation to the BLF and certain of its officers. The Commission had indicated that it would need such an extension of time in order to investigate additional material.

The Royal Commission, which is being conducted by Mr J S Winneke, QC, was originally required to finalise its inquiry and report by 28 February.

No change has been made to the scope of the inquiry; the terms of reference remain the same.

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