

## PRIME MINISTER

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## IRON TRIANGLE STUDY GROUP

The Prime Minister and the Premier of South Australia, Mr David Tonkin, today announced that they had received the report of the Iron Triangle Study Group.

The Study Group was formed in February 1981 as a result of a joint Commonwealth-State initiative and comprised representatives of Commonwealth, State and local government, industries and unions. The Group was required to investigate and recommend the most appropriate long-term strategies for development in the central part of South Australia with particular emphasis on the urban centres of Port Augusta, Port Pirie and Whyalla.

The Premier said both Governments would be reviewing the report and its conclusions and giving consideration to the scope for future action. He indicated that the report would then be released for public review.

The Prime Minister and the Premier expressed their appreciation of the work of the Study Group in undertaking an exacting task.

The Study Group represented an important example of Commonwealth-State co-operation and had been greatly assisted by the support provided by many departments of both governments.