



## PRIME MINISTER

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The article by Brian Toohy published in yesterday's National Times on its face raises important questions of national security.

Late last night the Government sought and obtained from the Chief Justice of Australia, Sir Harry Gibbs, interim injunctions restraining John Fairfax & Sons Ltd and Brian Toohy from

- (a) publishing articles other than those contained in the issue of the National Times dated 6-12 May 1983 based on information derived from the classified documents referred to in the said issue; and
- (b) communicating to any person the said documents or information derived from them.

A further order was made requiring the defendants to deliver to the Registrar of the High Court on or before 10 May 1983 all documents referred to as classified documents at page 3 of the said issue there to remain until further order.

The injunctions stand until 10.15 am next Tuesday, 10 May, when the matter will be fully argued before the High Court.

Other appropriate action is being taken by the Government to establish the source or sources of the material referred to in the article.

No action taken by the Government should be treated as confirmation of the accuracy of any individual matter referred to in the article.