



PRIME MINISTER

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The Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, Mr West, tonight informed me in writing that he would be unable to support Cabinet's recommendations on the uranium industry at Monday's Caucus meeting.

In line with the Cabinet Arrangements, adopted at its first meeting, he will now step down from Cabinet.

In the terms of the Cabinet Arrangements decision Mr West will remain a member of the Ministry.



MINISTER FOR IMMIGRATION
AND ETHNIC AFFAIRS

PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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The Hon R J Hawke
Prime Minister
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

My Dear Prime Minister,

As discussed with you earlier today, I find myself unable to support Cabinet's recommendation to Caucus on the uranium industry at Monday's caucus meeting.

I understand Cabinet arrangements regarding solidarity.

Under the terms of that Cabinet arrangement, I understand that I can no longer serve in the Cabinet.

I, of course, remain ready and willing and expect to continue to serve the Labor Government as a member of the Ministry.

Yours sincerely



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