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PRIME MINISTER

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APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Mr B.W. Fraser, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury, was today appointed Secretary of the Department, following the retirement of the former Secretary, Mr J.O. Stone.

Mr Fraser was formerly Deputy Secretary, Department of Resources and Energy and has held various positions in the Departments of the Treasury and Finance.

BERNIE W. FRASER

Born in Junee, NSW : age 43

Attended Junee High School; University of New England (BA with majors in Economics); ANU (various courses on a part-time basis including Australian literature and further economic studies).

Joined Commonwealth Public Service in 1961 - Department of National Development;

- . moved to Treasury in 1963;
- . Treasury representative in London 1970-1972;
- . transferred to Finance when the Treasury was split in 1976 and promoted First Assistant Secretary, General Expenditure Division;
- . transferred back to Treasury in 1979 as First Assistant Secretary, Resource Allocation Division and moved subsequently to the General Financial and Economic Policy Division;
- . appointed Director, National Energy Office in 1981 (re-designated Deputy Secretary, Department of Resources and Energy);
- . transferred back to Treasury as Deputy Secretary, Development and Taxation in January 1984, holding responsibility for the divisions of Taxation and Industry; Prices, Incomes and Development; and Foreign Investment.

Interested in most sports, with particular affection for rugby league and fishing.