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PRIME MINISTER

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JOURNALIST: What do you think you have to offer the ALP here in WA?

PM: A very great record of achievement in Federal Government which has been in large part possible because of the cooperation we have received from Premiers like Mr Burke.

JOURNALIST: Do you think you will be able to offer the farmers any reassurance while you are here?

PM: We will be talking with them while we are here.

JOURNALIST: Will you be discussing the gold tax while you are over here?

PM: I think everything is all right about the way the way in which the gold tax enquiry is being handled.

JOURNALIST: Is there any reason why you are not going to the country Mr Hawke?

PM: I am in the hands of the people who are organising the program here and the ALP have worked out what is best for me to do. And I am in their hands.

JOURNALIST: Any good news for us on petrol prices?

PM: There will be no decision about that in advance of the decision that has to be taken on the first of March.

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