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The Canberra National Memorials Committee has approved in principle a proposal for the establishment of a memorial in Canberra to commemorate the service to the nation of the Australian Army.

The memorial, to be located in Anzac Parade, will be the subject of a national design competition and has been scheduled to be completed for unveiling during our Bicentennial year in 1988.

The proposal has been suggested by the Chief of the General Staff in commemoration of the heroic achievement and sacrifice of members of the Australian Army on behalf of the people of Australia.

The National Capital Development Commission will assist the Committee by funding the memorial and by conducting the design competition, details of which will be announced at a later date.

(Note: The Prime Minister is Chairman of the Canberra National Memorials Committee.)