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THIRD HOUSE MINISTRY PARLIAMENTARY & CAUCUS POSITIONS

Caucus today met to elect the Ministry and other officers for the 35th Parliament. As I foreshadowed yesterday, the new Ministry is a well balanced and talented team. I am now pleased to announce the full list with the portfolios which I will be recommending to the Governor-General. The list provides details of proposed representation in the other Chamber.

The positions are as follows:

		Representation in other Chamber
*Prime Minister	R J L Hawke AC MP	Senator Button
*Special Minister of State and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister on the Status of Women and the Bicentenary and Minister Assisting the Minister for Community Services & Health	Senator Susan Ryan	Mr Hawke
*Deputy Prime Minister and Attorney-General and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Commonwealth/ State Relations	Lionel Bowen MP	Senator Tate
**Parliamentary Secretary for Justice	Senator Michael Tate	Mr Bowen
Minister for Consumer Affairs and Minister Assisting the Treasurer for Prices	Peter Staples MP	Senator Tate
*Leader of the Government in the Senate and Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce	Senator John Button	Mr Jones
Minister for Science & Small Business	B O Jones MP	Senator Button

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*Deputy Leader of the Government and Manager of Government Business in the Senate, Minister for Transport & Communications	Senator Gareth Evans QC	Mr Duncan
Minister for Land Transport & Infrastructure Support	Peter Duncan MP	Senator Evans
*Treasurer	P J Keating MP	Senator Walsh
*Minister for Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs, Vice-President of the Executive Council, Leader of the House and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Multicultural Affairs	Michael J Young MP	Senator Reynolds
**Parliamentary Secretary for Local Government	Senator Margaret Reynolds	Mr Young
*Minister for Finance	Senator P Walsh	Mr Dawkins
*Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade	Bill Hayden MP	Senator Evans
Minister for Trade Negotiations, Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry, Technology & Commerce & Minister Assisting the Minister for Primary Industries & Energy	Michael Duffy MP	Senator Evans
*Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister in Public Service Matters	Ralph Willis MP	Senator Button
*Minister for Employment, Education & Training	J S Dawkins MP	Senator Ryan
Minister for Employment Services & Youth Affairs & Minister Assisting the Treasurer	A C Holding MP	Senator Ryan

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*Minister for Defence	Kim C Beazley MP	Senator Ray
**Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Science and Personnel	Ros Kolly MP	Senator Ray
*Minister for Primary Industries & Energy	John Kerin MP	Senator Walsh
Minister for Resources	Peter Morris MP	Senator Walsh
*Minister for Social Security	Brian Howe MP	Senator Richardson
*Minister for Administrative Services	Stewart West MP	Senator Ray
Minister for Home Affairs & Deputy Manager of Government Business in the Senate	Senator Robert Ray	Mr West
*Minister for the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism & Territories	John Brown MP	Senator Richardson
Minister for the Environment and the Arts	Senator Graham Richardson	Mr Brown
*Minister for Community Services & Health	Neal Blewett MP	Senator Ryan
Minister for Veterans' Affairs	Ben Humphreys MP	Senator Reynolds
Minister for Aboriginal Affairs	Gerry Hand MP	Senator Tate

* Denotes Minister in the Cabinet

** Temporary title pending amendment of the Ministers of State Act 1952

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We also elected today the candidates for the Parliamentary officeholders and filled other Caucus positions.

Mrs Joan Child will be put forward as Speaker for the House of Representatives, and Senator Kerry Sibraa for the position of President of the Senate. For the Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees, we will be proposing Mr Leo McLoay, and will be nominating Senator Mal Colston for the Deputy President position in the Senate.

Barry Cunningham has been elected Government Whip for the House of Representatives, with Tony Lamb as his Deputy. Senator Gerry Jones will be Government Whip in the Senate, assisted by Senator Graham Maguire and Senator Jim McKiernan as Deputies.

The new Chairperson of Caucus will be Bob Brown with Bob Chynoweth as his Deputy. The Secretary of Caucus will be Ross Free.

The Governor-General has agreed to swear in the new Ministry at Government House on Friday morning.