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## PRIME MINISTER

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The Auditor-General, Mr John Monaghan, will retire from office on 31 December 1987. Mr Monaghan recently advised the Governor-General and I of his intention to retire.

Mr Monaghan has served with distinction in the post for three years, and before that served with distinction as a Commissioner of the Public Service Board and in a range of other important Government posts.

I have extended to him my appreciation for this distinguished service and have wished him well in his retirement.

The Deputy Auditor-General, Mr Doug Hill, will act as Auditor-General from the time Mr Monaghan ceases duty until a permanent appointment is made.

The position will be advertised and applications called for as soon as practicable.

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