



## PRIME MINISTER

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Following the introduction of self-government in the Australian Capital Territory, and the consequent effect on the workload of the Minister for the Arts and Territories, the Hon Clyde Holding MP, his responsibilities are to be changed.

After discussions with the Minister for the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories, Senator the Hon Graham Richardson, I have agreed that Mr Holding have responsibility for tourism matters under Senator Richardson, and that Mr Holding's title be amended to Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories. He will retain responsibility for other territories and will be involved with relations between the ACT and the Commonwealth.

I will be recommending to His Excellency the Governor-General that Mr Holding be appointed to his new office before the commencement of the next Parliamentary sitting period.

The appointment of Mr Holding will ensure that the vital tourism industry continues to receive the close attention of this Government.