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PRIME MINISTER

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The Government will be recommending to the Governor-General that Dr Chris Higgins, currently a Deputy Secretary in the Department of the Treasury, be appointed Secretary of that Department with effect from 18 September 1989.

The vacancy arises following the appointment of the present Secretary, Mr Bernie Fraser, as Governor of the Reserve Bank from that date.

Dr Higgins has been a Senior Executive (SES) Officer in the Treasury from 1975, having joined the Treasury in December 1969 after a period of several years in the Bureau of Statistics.

Apart from a period working in a senior post for the OECD in Paris, Dr Higgins has served continuously in the Treasury since 1969.

He has been the Deputy Secretary (Economic) in the Treasury since 1984.

He was elected as a Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia in 1987.