



PRIME MINISTER

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I will be visiting Japan between 16-20 September at the invitation of the Japanese Government.

My program on 17 and 18 September will be devoted largely to assisting with the presentation of Melbourne's bid for the 1996 Olympic Games.

My official visit will take place on 19 and 20 September. It will be my first full bilateral visit to Japan since 1986. Much has changed in our bilateral relationship, and in the world at large, since then and I will discuss the direction of our relations with Japan, particularly our important economic links, global and regional strategic issues, and co-operation in areas such as science and technology, the environment, culture and education.

I will be having talks with Prime Minister Kaifu and with key Japanese political and business leaders. I will be making an address to the annual convention of the All Chambers of Commerce in Japan and opening Australia's new embassy building in Tokyo.