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Prime Minister Bolger of New Zealand will visit Australia from 4-6 February 1991 accompanied by Mr Philip Burdon, Minister for Commerce and Industry and Minister for Trade Negotiations. This will be Mr Bolger's first visit to Australia as Prime Minister.

Prime Minister Bolger will meet with me and other Government Ministers in a series of meetings in Canberra on 4 February. We will discuss multilateral issues such as the Gulf Crisis and the Uruguay Round as well as bilateral issues, including progress in Closer Economic Relations.

The relationship with New Zealand remains one of Australia's closest bilateral relationships. I welcome Prime Minister Bolger's visit and look forward to close and continuing contact with him.