



## PRIME MINISTER

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SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

The Secretary of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Mr Mike Codd, AC, will be retiring from the Public Service, after nearly six years in that position, and I wish to record here the outstanding service he has given to this and previous governments.

The Government will be appointing Mr Codd to the Boards of AOTC and Qantas, which will enable him to continue his distinguished contribution to the public sector of this country.

The Government will be recommending to the Governor-General the appointment of Dr Michael Keating, AO, as the new Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Dr Keating has been Secretary of the Department of Finance for almost six years and before that was Secretary of the then Department of Employment and Industrial Relations.

His earlier career included two periods of work for the OECD in Paris, as well as periods in the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the then Department of Urban and Regional Development and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.