



PRIME MINISTER

23/92

STATEMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER, THE HON P J KEATING, MP

PUBLIC SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

The Government will be recommending to the Governor-General the appointment of Mr Michael Costello as Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations. He will take up this appointment early next week.

Mr Costello, 43, has held a number of senior positions in the foreign affairs portfolio, including Ambassador to the United Nations. He has been Deputy Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade since 1989.

Mr Graham Glenn, who has been the Secretary to the Department of Industrial Relations since 1 March 1989, is retiring from the Australian Public Service. On behalf of the Government, I express appreciation for the very considerable contribution made by Mr Glenn during his career especially in recent years when he has served as a member of the Public Service Board, as Secretary of the Department of Administrative Services, and most recently as Secretary of the Department of Industrial Relations.

The Government wishes to be able to continue to draw on Mr Glenn's abilities and is exploring avenues of making the best use of his wide-ranging skills and experience. The Government is recommending to the Governor-General that he be appointed to the part-time office of the Chairperson of the Commission for the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation of Commonwealth Employees and, with effect later in the year, as a member of the Australian Heritage Commission.

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