



PRIME MINISTER

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

PRINCIPAL ADVISER

I am pleased to announce that Dr Allan Hawke has been appointed to the position of Principal Adviser in my office.

Dr Hawke is a distinguished senior public servant, currently holding the position of Deputy Secretary, Strategy and Intelligence, in the Department of Defence. He has a strong background in personnel and financial management and reform.

Allan Hawke was born in Canberra in 1948, and grew up in the nearby New South Wales town of Queanbeyan. After completing his secondary education in Queanbeyan, he studied at the Australian National University, where he graduated in 1970 with a First Class Honours Bachelor of Science degree. He was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy by the ANU in 1976.

Dr Hawke joined the Australian Public Service in 1974, working in the fields of personnel management, staff ceilings and organisation design in the Public Service Board. He went on to the Department of Defence in 1984, holding senior positions in personnel and financial management, the Defence Science and Technology Organisation, and the Defence Signals Directorate. He took up his present position in July 1991. He also headed a Task Force which was responsible for the introduction of program management and budgeting into the Defence department.

During his career, Dr Hawke has worked on the Review of Commonwealth Administration; was a member of David Block's Efficiency Scrutiny Unit; and is the current Chairman of the Management Improvement Advisory Committee (MIAC). MIAC develops detailed proposals for the Management Advisory Board which is responsible for advising the government on significant issues relating to the management of the Australian Public Service.

Dr Hawke is married, with one daughter.

I welcome him to my office, and look forward to benefiting from his broad public service experience.

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