



PRIME MINISTER

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

TERM OF GOVERNOR-GENERAL

I am pleased to announce, after consultation with the Queen, that Mr Bill Hayden, AC, will remain in office as Governor-General of Australia until early in 1996. While the appointment of a Governor-General is not for a fixed term, it has been traditional that appointments are for a period of about five years. Mr Hayden will complete five years in the office in February 1994. I am grateful to him for indicating his willingness to continue to serve Australia as Governor-General for an extended period.

LEUCHARS, SCOTLAND
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