

PRIME MINISTER

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

MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Following the resignations of Mrs Kelly and Senator Richardson and the decision that Mr Griffiths will not return to office at this stage, Caucus has elected Carmen Lawrence, Con Sciacca and Gary Punch to join the Ministry. Arch Bevis and Mary Crawford will become Parliamentary Secretaries. I welcome all five and look forward to the contribution they will make to the work of the Government.

I have decided to recommend to the Governor-General a number of changes to ministerial and departmental arrangements on this occasion. Mr Hayden has agreed to my announcing these changes now, in advance of the appointment ceremony and Executive Council meeting to be held later today, 25 March, at 4.30 pm.

I shall be recommending that the Department of Human Services and Health be divided and that there be a Department of Housing and Regional Development and a Department of Human Services and Health. The Deputy Prime Minister, Brian Howe, will become Minister for Housing and Regional Development. Mary Crawford will be Parliamentary Secretary in his portfolio.

Carmen Lawrence will join the Cabinet as Minister for Human Services and Health, and will be Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Status of Women

Peter Cook will become Minister for Industry, Science and Technology, and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Science. Chris Schacht will become Minister for Small Business, Customs and Construction. He will have responsibility for Co-operative Research Centres.

Bob McMullan will continue to be Minister for Trade but will cease to be Minister for Administrative Services. The Department of Administrative Services will remain a separate department but it will be located in Kim Beazley's Finance portfolio. Frank Walker will become Minister for Administrative Services. Gary Johns will replace him as Special Minister of State, working in my portfolio, and will continue to be Assistant Minister for Industrial Relations.

John Faulkner will join the Cabinet as Minister for the Environment, Sport and Territories.

Con Sciacca will become Minister for Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Veterans' Affairs will be transferred from Human Services and Health to the Defence portfolio. Gary Punch will become Minister for Defence Science and Personnel. The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence will be Arch Bevis.

Janice Crosio will become Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Security.

Mr Tony Cole will continue to be Secretary to the Department of Human Services and Health and I shall appoint him to act as Secretary to the new Department of Housing and Regional Development.

A copy of the ministry list is attached, showing the new arrangements.

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Commonwealth Government

SECOND KEATING MINISTRY

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Title	Minister	OTHER CHAMBER
Prime Minister Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Special Minister of State (Vice-President of the Executive Council) Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon P J Keating, MP The Hon Robert Tickner, MP The Hon Gary Johns, MP The Hon Andrew Theophanous, MP	Senator Evans Senator Collins Senator Evans
Minister for Housing and Regional Development (Deputy Prime Minister)	The Hon Brian Howe, MP	Senator Bolkus
Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon Mary Crawford, MP	
Minister for Foreign Affairs (Leader of the Government in the Senate) Minister for Trade Minister for Development Co-operation and Pacific Island Affairs	Senator the Hon Gareth Evans, QC Senator the Hon Bob McMullan The Hon Gordon Bilney, MP	Mr Bilney Mr Bilney Senator Evans
Minister for Defence (Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate) Minister for Veterans' Affairs Minister for Defence Science and Personnel Parliamentary Secretary	Senator the Hon Robert Ray The Hon Con Sciacca, MP The Hon Gary Punch, MP The Hon Arch Bevis, MP	Mr Punch Senator Faulkner Senator Ray
Treasurer Assistant Treasurer Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon Ralph Willis, MP The Hon George Gear, MP The Hon Paul Elliott, MP	Senator Cook Senator Cook
Minister for Finance (Leader of the House) Minister for Administrative Services	The Hon Kim C Beazley, MP The Hon Frank Walker, QC, MP	Senator Cook Senator McMullan
Minister for Industry, Science and Technology	Senator the Hon Peter Cook	Mr Lee
Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Science Minister for Small Business, Customs and Construction Parliamentary Secretary	Senator the Hon Chris Schacht The Hon E J Lindsay, MP	Mr Lee
Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Multicultural Affairs	Senator the Hon Nick Bolkus	Mr Baldwin
Minister for Employment, Education and Training Minister for Schools, Vocational Education and Training Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon Simon Crean, MP The Hon Ross Free, MP The Hon Warren Snowdon, MP	Senator Schacht Senator Schacht
Minister for Primary Industries and Energy Minister for Resources Parliamentary Secretary	Senator the Hon Bob Collins The Hon David Beddall, MP Senator the Hon Nick Sherry	Mr Beddall Senator Collins
Minister for Social Security Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon Peter Baldwin, MP The Hon Janice Crosio, MP	Senator Crowley
Minister for Industrial Relations Assistant Minister for Industrial Relations Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Public Service Matters	The Hon Laurie Brereton, MP The Hon Gary Johns, MP	Senator Ray Senator Ray
Minister for Transport Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon Laurie Brereton, MP The Hon Neil O'Keefe, MP	Senator Collins
Attorney-General Minister for Consumer Affairs Minister for Justice Parliamentary Secretary	The Hon Michael Lavarch, MP The Hon Jeannette McHugh, MP The Hon Duncan Kerr, MP The Hon Peter Duncan, MP	Senator Bolkus Senator Bolkus Senator Bolkus
Minister for Communications and the Arts	The Hon Michael Lee, MP	Senator McMullan
Minister for Tourism	The Hon Michael Lee, MP	Senator Ray
Minister for the Environment, Sport and Territories Parliamentary Secretary	Senator the Hon John Faulkner (Manager of Government Business in the Senate) The Hon Warren Snowdon, MP	Mr Brereton
Minister for Human Services and Health	The Hon Carmen Lawrence, MP	Senator Crowley
Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Status of Women Minister for Family Services Parliamentary Secretary	Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley The Hon Andrew Theophanous, MP	Dr Lawrence

Each box represents a portfolio. Cabinet Ministers are shown in bold type. As a general rule, there is one Department in each portfolio. Except for the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the title of each Department reflects that of the Portfolio Minister. There is also a Department of Administrative Services in the Finance portfolio; and a Department of Veterans' Affairs in the Defence portfolio.