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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

President Ford has invited the Prime Minister of Australia, the Honorable J. Malcolm Fraser, to make an official visit to Washington on July 27. The Prime Minister has accepted. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Fraser, by Foreign Minister Andrew S. Peacock, and by other officials.

This will be Mr. Fraser's first visit to Washington since he became Prime Minister last year. He last visited the United States in 1970 as Minister for Defense.

The forthcoming visit will reaffirm the close ties between Australia and the United States. During his visit, the Prime Minister will meet with the President, the Secretary of State, and other senior officials for an exchange of views on world issues. The Prime Minister will be the guest of honor at a dinner given by President and Mrs. Ford, and at a luncheon hosted by Secretary Kissinger.

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