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PRIME MINISTER,

CANBERRA.

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My dear Prime Minister,

May I take this opportunity of Mr. Asher Joel's visit to Israel to ask him to convey to you my appreciation for your wholehearted collaboration with the Jewish community of Australia in the establishment of the "Anzac Memorial and Forest in Israel".

I was honoured to accept patronage of this impressive and imaginative project, and feel that there could be no more fitting way to commemorate the deeds and sacrifices of the Anzacs in Israel during two World Wars.

The distinguished organizers - the Australian Jewish community, whose membership has included some of our finest soldiers - and all Australians will take particular pride in the Memorial and Forest, which will stand as permanent tribute to all that is best in human endeavour and serve as a further link between the peoples of our two countries.

Will you, Mr. Prime Minister, please accept my sincere thanks and personal best wishes.

Yours, sincerely,

(HAROLD HOLT)

His Excellency Mr. Levi Eshkol, Prime Minister of Israel, The Knesset, JERUSALEM. ISRAEL.