

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO AUSTRALIA

If we are asked why the Prime Minister is not going to New Zealand at the same time as she visits Australia, we can say that unfortunately she did not have time to include New Zealand as well on this occasion. Mrs. Thatcher has to be back in London for the visit of President Turbay of Columbia who will be visiting Britain as a guest of the Government.

We can also mention that the Prime Minister has sent Mr. Muldoon a message to explain why she cannot visit New Zealand on this occasion. She will see Mr. Muldoon in London next Monday, 11 June, when the Prime Minister is hosting a lunch in Mr. Muldoon's honour at No. 10. The New Zealand Prime Minister will be visiting London briefly on his way back from Washington. (He is the current Chairman of the International Monetary Fund).

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