

PRIME MINISTER

CANBERRA

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Dear Hargard.

I am sure that you will be aware that the United Kingdom is one of the six countries competing for the right to challenge for the America's Cup. The Challenge Elimination Series which began on October 5 culminates in the Finals Series commencing on 13 January 1987. The America's Cup Match Final begins on 31 January.

Should you wish to visit Western Australia during the Series to see the contender from the United Kingdom in action, the Western Australian Government would be happy to make all the necessary arrangements, with the full support and assistance of the Australian Government.

If you think a visit at this time would be possible, might I suggest that our respective officials liaise on the details.

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