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MESSAGE FROM DON DUNSTAN,
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From the first days of settlement in this country, Australians have been excited by the thought that this was a new land in which a new society could be made - a society free from the social rigidity that blighted the traditional societies of Europe.

Australia has developed in the last two hundred years as one of the most stable countries in the world, but the spirit of youth and vigour which characterised Australia in the early days still remains and the concern for liberty and freedom is as strong now as it was in the days of the fight for self-government.

We are standing at a point in our history where the choices we make are going to determine the course of our future. If Australia is to keep pace with progress in the rest of the world, Australians must continue to examine new ideas and technologies with a spirit of open-minded enquiry and a willingness to seek and to accept change.

We cannot afford to reject new ideas without careful consideration. To act in set patterns is easier than to create new ones; but it leads to stagnation and eventual death.

Australia has tremendous potential. We must do all we can to see that it is not wasted.

PREMIER.