

N.E.I. Air Scheme



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The Secretary,
Department of External Affairs,
CANBERRA

Training of Netherlands East Indies Air-Crew in Australia

I desire to inform you that, following representations from the Netherlands East Indies Government, War Cabinet approved (Minute 1885 on 10th February, 1942) the recommendations by the Minister for Air, submitted in Agendue 89/1942, for the training of a number of N.E.I. personnel.

2. The N.E.I. Government has requested that facilities be provided at Adelaide, S.A., and at Rathmines, N.S.W., and it is anticipated that the first batch of trainees will arrive in New South Wales in the course of a few days. Trainees for South Australia will arrive by ship and will disembark at Adelaide. Some of those for training at the R.A.A.P. Seaplane Station at Rathmines will come by their own aircraft, following the Qantas flying boat route from Broome or Darwin.

3. It is desired that the utmost co-operation be afforded in the matter of relaxing of immigration restrictions and expediting any quarantine formalities which may be required.

4. It will be appreciated that some of the officers and men arriving will not be Europeans, but of course they will all be members of the Netherlands East Indies Army or Navy Air Force.

5. I should be glad if you ⁶⁴¹²⁴ suitably inform all the authorities concerned.

*All informed
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