VIETNAM VETERANS TO MARCH

Statement by the Minister for the Army, the Hon. Malcolm Fraser, MP.

Veterans of the Australian Army Force now in Vietnam will march through two capital cities on their return to Australia.

Announcing this today, the Minister for the Army, Mr Malcolm Fraser, said the parades through the city streets of Sydney and Brisbane would give the Australian public an opportunity of giving a warm welcome home to the soldiers who had performed so magnificently in combat during their tour of duty in Vietnam.

Details of the marches, including the number of troops participating and the routes to be followed, were not yet finalised.

It was proposed that the march through Sydney on May 12 would be led by the members of 5th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment, which would be based at Holsworthy on return to Australia.

The march through Brisbane on June 14 would be led by troops of 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment, which would be stationed at Enoggera, Brisbane, on its return.

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