



APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER OF STATE

I, QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to sections 64 and 65 of the Constitution, hereby direct and appoint THE HONOURABLE ANTHONY JOHN ABBOTT MP, a member of the Federal Executive Council, to hold the office of PRIME MINISTER and to administer THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET.

Signed and sealed with the
Great Seal of Australia on
18 September 2013



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Quentin Bryce'.

Governor-General

A long, thin horizontal line drawn below the signature.



Oath of Office

I, ANTHONY JOHN ABBOTT, do swear that I will well and truly serve the people of Australia in the office of PRIME MINISTER and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Australia.

So help me God!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Abbott", written over a dotted line.

Sworn and subscribed before me,
the Governor-General of the
Commonwealth of Australia,
at Canberra, on 18 September 2013

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Cosgrove", written over a dotted line. Below the signature is a solid horizontal line.