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FACTOR
COLORFAST'S New
Renaissance collection
by ELENKA using
Roman Rose, Pageant
Purple and Aqua Royal
eyeshadow trio, Mauve
Mist cheeks and Royal
Magenta Lips

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Suit offer refused Fraser

(Reuter) - The
Government,
reeling from a massive
scandal, is facing a
crisis after a senior minister
resigns.

Mr Nixon, the Primary
Minister, confirmed
that he had offered his resignation
to Mr Malcolm Fraser,
Prime Minister, after
the report of a Royal
Commission into Australia's
meat industry.

Mr Fraser, after reading the
report, refused to accept
the resignation, saying he
would ask Mr Nixon to continue
in the Cabinet.

A commission was set up
to investigate a
case of substitution of
beef for kangaroo meat for
a restaurant. A scandal
broke in August, when
a United States
inspector discovered
horsemeat was marked
as beef and was
imported from banned
Australia for 10 days.

Mr Nixon said he had offered
his resignation because of
the findings in the report
of the inadequacy of
meat inspection with
one aspect in the

Fraser said earlier that
he would investigate some
aspects of the scandal
which made him very
uncomfortable. He did
not elaborate but
said he would make a
statement on the
subject.

The crisis could not have
developed in a worse
time for the Australian
Government. For the
last time it has been
fighting

The future of Belize

Attempt to heal rift with Guatemala

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr Cranley Onslow, Minister
of State at the Foreign and
Commonwealth Office, who is
in Belize, began talks yesterday
on Guatemala's offer of new
negotiations about its claim to
the former British colony.

The offer was made two
months ago through the Swiss,
who have been representing
British interests in Guatemala
City since consular relations
were broken off last year.

A reply is on its way,
welcoming the chance of
improving relations, while
pointing out that Britain can
no longer decide the future
of Belize, formerly British
Honduras, which became
independent 12 months ago.

On the other hand Britain
would like to help bring the
two sides together, in yet
another attempt to end the
long-standing quarrel over
Guatemala's territorial claim.

For one thing Britain still
bears the cost of maintaining
1,800 men, four Harriers and
a frigate/destroyer in Belize,
to deter Guatemala from
taking the law into its own
hands.

The Government has
maintained that it will keep
these

forces there "for as long as
is appropriate" - which means
when the Guatemalan threat
has subsided or when Belize
feels able to assume a greater
responsibility for its own
defence.

Reports were circulating last
spring that the British troops
would be withdrawn by the
end of this month. But these
can now be discounted -
particularly since the
Government's embarrassment
over the Falklands.

Mr George Price, Prime
Minister of Belize, had
discussions with the Foreign
Office while he was in
London for the Commonwealth
Finance Ministers' conference
and Mr Onslow will continue
these during his first visit
to the Central American
state.

Guatemala particularly
wants a corridor of land
through Belize to the Atlantic,
and has been unwilling so far
to accept a compromise offer
of free access or even a lease.

The basis for an agreement
over a number of issues was
in fact signed last year, before
Belize was granted independence,
but Guatemala refused to
ratify it.

Prisoners of conscience



Taiwan

Chang Hua-min

By Caroline Moorehead

A 55-year-old historian and
journalist, Chang Hua-min, is
being held in a military prison
charged with pro-communist
propaganda. He was arrested in
September, 1979 and sentenced
to 10 years imprisonment under
the Statute for the Punishment
of Sedition by the military court
of the Taiwan Garrison Command.

Early in 1979 Mr Chang
wrote an open letter to the
authorities in which he called
for joint talks between Taiwan
and the People's Republic of
China. These talks, he suggested,
could lead to an eventual
peaceful reunification of
China.

Mr Chang was previously
jailed between 1966 and 1974
for writings deemed "seditious"
and said to have contained
favourable references to the
economic system in mainland
China. After his release, he
taught journalism, contributed
articles to a number of
magazines, published a two-volume
book called *An Essay on*

Hess back in Spandau

Berlin (Reuter) -- Herr
Rudolf Hess, the former Nazi
leader, was returned from the
British military hospital in West
Berlin to Spandau

14 days ago after developing
pleurisy.

After a visit to Herr Hess, the
former Nazi second-in-command,
by his sister, his family,