

The role of the Export-Import Corporation will also be expanded and New Zealand's trade presence overseas will be strengthened by opening new posts and reinforcing existing ones. The Government will continue to combat protectionism which in many markets denies our exporters fair access. Bilateral interests will be pursued vigorously in the short term.

Together with other productive sectors the primary industries will be encouraged to increase the processed component in their exports. In support of these moves legislation will be introduced to formalise the Meat Industry Council, and a Horticultural Export Authority Bill will also be introduced.

With regard to the fishing industry, the Government has already released the long overdue National Fisheries Management report on the inshore fishery. A top priority will be to find solutions to the industry's problems. The review of the deepwater policy will go ahead, taking into account the structure and investment of companies presently concerned with that fishery.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS, the Government will give priority to measures which will increase employment—the aim must be to provide jobs for all citizens who want to work. There is no simple solution to this problem. There must be co-ordinated policies on several fronts. An essential element is a stable and well understood economic strategy which gives employers the confidence to plan ahead and provide additional jobs. The labour market must operate more flexibly and so match work with people. A quarterly household labour force survey will be introduced to provide more comprehensive statistics.

Agreement on new and permanent wage-fixing machinery is a further major aim of the Government. Urgent discussions will be held in the weeks leading up to the Economic Summit Conference in September. Various elements of the agreement will be embodied in legislation. The Government also plans a major review of industrial relations culminating in the publication of a green paper.

The Government intends to introduce a Government Superannuation Fund Amendment Bill which will make available new superannuation conditions for state servants. These changes will provide both contributors and employing authorities with a flexibility not at present available.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS, as a trading nation, New Zealand depends on moving goods efficiently and economically to markets within the country and to places of export. Co-ordination of various kinds of transport to produce the most efficient service at the lowest possible cost will be the aim of transport policy.