



# Memo from the President

April 4, 1985

To: Members of the University Community

I am writing to tell you that I have been appointed Vice-Chancellor of The University of Western Australia in Perth, to take office no later than January 1, 1986. My decision to accept this appointment marks the culmination of a lengthy process: I was invited by the search committee at The University of Western Australia to be a candidate for the Vice-Chancellorship in July of 1984, and the Senate of UWA resolved to offer me the appointment only late last month. The Board of Governors of UBC were aware of the possibility of my being offered this position when they asked me to serve as President pro tem. on March 7, 1985. I assured the Board then, as I assure you now, that I will continue to give my responsibilities at UBC my complete attention. My intention in delaying my return to Australia until January, 1986, is to leave ample time for the appointment of UBC's next President.

I have appreciated very much the many expressions of support I have received since assuming the presidency, and I trust that I will continue to merit your support.

*Robert Smith*

Robert H. T. Smith  
President pro tem.

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