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Director

## FLAG DAY 2018 MESSAGE

Six Australian Flags fly proudly in front of the Australian War Memorial. In direct line of sight from the Parliament, each is a reminder of the truths by which we live and the values that bind us as Australians.

Australian men and women have served, fought, suffered and died under our flag from the First World War to Afghanistan, in peace and in war.

The Australian flag reminds us every single day of those who made us who we are and gave us what we have. In doing so, it inspires us to be outward looking people confident in who we are and in what we believe.

On national Flag Day there is much to celebrate and for which to give thanks, today and every day....'for we are young and *free*.

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*Here is their spirit, in the heart of the land they loved; and here we guard the record which they themselves made.* C.E.W. Bean

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