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Press statement - Chief Secretary and Minister of Health - Extensions and Additions to
Minlaton District Hospital

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PRESS STATEMENT: 4th December, 1970.

FROM: CHIEF SECRETARY AND MINISTER OF HEALTH (MR. SHARD)

SUBJECT: EXTENSIONS AND ADDITIONS TO MINLATON DISTRICT HOSPITAL

Major extensions and improvements estimated to cost about \$65,000 will be made to the Minlaton District Hospital, the Chief Secretary and Minister of Health (Mr. Shard) announced today.

He said the extensions had been made necessary because of increased demands on the Hospital's facilities.

"The additions include a cold room and pantry adjacent to the kitchen and a new wing attached to the Hospital's south-west corner.

"This will be air-conditioned and will comprise three wards of two beds each, a nursery and two single bedrooms.

"An easily accessible new lounge and T.V. room will also be provided for all patients and will be located in the centre section of the old hospital building."

Mr. Shard said that the wing had been designed so that it could be extended westward in the future if the necessity arose.

"In addition to the extensions the existing hospital will be improved to benefit both the patients and the hospital staff.