

Australia Opposes Force

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MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 30—The Australian Government told Indonesia today that Australia would regard the use of force to obtain Netherlands New Guinea as a breach of faith following repeated assurances by Indonesia that there would be no resort to force.

The statement was reported to have been included in notes handed to both the Indonesian and the Dutch Ambassadors in Canberra.

The notes were also under-

stood to have stressed that the possibilities of negotiating a settlement of the dispute had not been exhausted, that international public opinion should be respected and that the people of the territory should be allowed to decide their own future.

Australia administers the eastern part of New Guinea.

Earlier today, Indonesia ordered foreign aircraft to stay clear of her island territories near New Guinea. This meant that the Australian airline Qantas had to divert its planes flying from Darwin to Manila in Philippines. Normally these planes fly over Indonesian territory.

A Qantas spokesman announced later that Indonesia had agreed to let the airline fly over Timor, although it would still have to avoid some Indonesian islands. The spokesman said this would entail a diversion of about 170 miles.