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PERTH-FIRST FOR INTERNATIONAL RUGBY SET TO FILL ROOMS QUICKLY

Today's announcement that Perth will be hosting its first international rugby league match is warmly welcomed by the Accommodation and Tourism industry, and the Accommodation Association of Australia would like to congratulate the NRL and WA State Government for making this happen.

For the first time, Perth will be hosting the Rugby League International in 2016 in a match between Australia and New Zealand on October 2016. This match, to be played at the nib Stadium, will be in the lead up to the 2016 Four Nations tournament in the United Kingdom.

"Big events such as this create economic activity and showcases Western Australia as a great place to visit over and over again," said Richard Munro, Chief Executive Officer of the Accommodation Association of Australia.

"These types of high profile events provide Western Australia with the opportunity to harness the benefits of big sporting occasions and their ability to fill rooms, restaurants, bars and retail outlets."

2016 will be a significant year for Rugby League in Perth as the city is also set to host two NRL Telstra Premiership matches – Round 13 match between South Sydney and the Gold Coast Titans and the Round 19 match between Manly and the Warriors.

"Sporting events like the rugby league test set to be played in October will fill rooms quickly, so book early to avoid disappointment."

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