



Indonesian Govt honours Stone with presidential award

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The federal president of the Australian Liberal Party has been awarded a prestigious Indonesian Government presidential award in Darwin.

It is the second time the Bintang Jasa Pratama Award has been given to an Australian.

Shane Stone says he has received the award for his work as NT's former chief minister and minister for Asian relations and trade during the 1990s.

Mr Stone says he is honoured on behalf of all Northern Territory residents.

"When you look back on and you think of everyone that was involved, the business people who had the courage to take a punt over there, the public servants who worked so hard to develop the networks, and the way in which Territorians embrace the notion of engagement of Indonesia and other surrounding countries, it was a very special time," Mr Stone said.