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ROYAL VISIT 1963 ITINERARY

Statement by the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. R.G. Menzies

Her Majesty the Queen has given her approval to an itinerary for her visit to Australia with His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh in February and March next year.

The itinerary was prepared by Her Majesty's Australian Secretary, Sir Roy Dowling, in consultation with the State Directors for the visit. The preparation of detailed State programmes is in the hands of the State Governments, who will shortly submit them through me for the Queen's approval.

The itinerary for the Royal Visit is based on the maximum use of the Royal Yacht "Britannia" which Her Majesty will use as her home wherever possible and as a means of transport and of rest between engagements.

The use of the Royal Yacht will also allow Her Majesty to enter the cities of Melbourne, Hobart, Sydney, Brisbane and Fremantle from the seaward. Furthermore, it is Her Majesty's intention to use the yacht for entertainment purposes throughout the visit.

The detailed programmes for the visit of Her Majesty and the Duke of Edinburgh to the Australian Capital Territory and to the Northern Territory will be submitted to Her Majesty at the same time as the State programmes and when her approval has been obtained, will be announced simultaneously with the announcements of State programmes.

The itinerary is as follows :-

February

Monday	18th	p.m.	Arrive Canberra by air from New Zealand
Tuesday	19th	p.m.	Canberra to Adelaide by air (Royal Yacht arrives Adelaide)
Wednesday	20th		Adelaide
Thursday	21st	evening	Sail Adelaide for Melbourne
Friday	22nd		At sea
Saturday	23rd	a.m.	Arrive Melbourne
Sunday	24th		Melbourne

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February

Monday	25th	evening	Sail Melbourne for Hobart
Tuesday	26th		At sea
Wednesday	27th	a.m.	Arrive Hobart
Thursday	28th	p.m.	Sail Hobart for Sydney

March

Friday	1st		At sea
Saturday	2nd	a.m.	Arrive Sydney
Sunday	3rd		Sydney
Monday	4th	p.m.	Sail Sydney for Brisbane
Tuesday	5th		At sea
Wednesday	6th	a.m.	Arrive Brisbane
Thursday	7th		Brisbane
Friday	8th	a.m.	Depart Brisbane by air for Cooma and the Snowy Mountains
Saturday	9th		Snowy Mountains
Sunday	10th		Snowy Mountains
Monday	11th	a.m.	Depart Snowy Mountains for Canberra
Tuesday	12th		Canberra (50th Anniversary)
Wednesday	13th		Canberra
Thursday	14th	a.m.	Depart Canberra by air for Alice Springs
Friday	15th		Alice Springs
Saturday	16th	a.m.	Depart Alice Springs by air for Darwin
			Royal Yacht arrives p.m.
Sunday	17th		Darwin
Monday	18th	evening	Sail Darwin for Western Australia
Monday	25th	a.m.	Arrive Fremantle
Tuesday	26th		Perth
Wednesday	27th	a.m.	Depart Perth by air

CANBERRA,

23rd August, 1962.