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VISIT BY THE KING OF JORDAN

The King of Jordan has accepted an invitation to visit Australia next year as a guest of the Government. He will be accompanied by the Queen of Jordan.

King Hussein will make his State Visit from March 2 to March 9. He will visit Canberra, Melbourne and Sydney. Arrangements are also being made for him to inspect an irrigation area.

The Government welcomes the visit as an indication of Australia's friendly ties with Jordan, and hopes it will foster mutually beneficial developments between the two countries.

Australia has an historic and continuing interest in the Middle East, and the visit by King Hussein will provide an opportunity to exchange views on the present situation.