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State Visit by Their Majesties King Hussein I and Queen Alia of Jordan

Details of the program for the State Visit to Australia of Their Majesties King Hussein I and Queen Alia of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan have now been finalised.

It will be recalled that on 26 December 1975 I announced that the State Visit would take place from March 2 to March 9.

In that statement I referred to Australia's friendly ties with Jordan and the Government's hopes that the visit would foster mutually beneficial developments between the two countries.

Their Majesties will visit Canberra from 2 to 4 March, Melbourne 4 to 6 March and Sydney 6 to 9 March.

The program includes discussions in Canberra and the laying of a wreath at the Australian War Memorial. Their Majesties will also visit the Mount Ainslie lookout as well as attending receptions, dinners and luncheons. His Majesty will speak at a Parliamentary Luncheon and at a National Press Club luncheon.

The program in Victoria and New South Wales includes the inspection of agricultural research bodies, visits to a vehicle proving ground, a race meeting, the Sydney Opera House and a zoo, inspections of an 'Oberon' class submarine and a Qantas Boeing 747 flight simulator. Her Majesty will also visit art and craft galleries and a children's hospital.