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STATE VISIT TO AUSTRALIA BY THE KING AND QUEEN OF BELGIUM

His Majesty King Baudouin I and Her Majesty Queen Fabiola of Belgium are to make a State Visit to Australia from Monday 7 to Monday 14 March 1983 at the invitation of His Excellency The Governor-General.

The State Visit will be the first by a Belgian Monarch to Australia. It is tangible evidence of the development of valuable and friendly relations between the two countries.

Their Majesties will be visiting Australia as part of an overseas tour including Fiji, New Zealand and Singapore.

Details of the State Visit to Australia will be announced later.