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PRESS STATEMENT

The Queen hopes to make her postponed visit to South Australia at a later date this year.

The Premier (Mr. Dunstan) said this today, in announcing the itinerary for a visit by The Duke of Edinburgh from Friday, March 1, to Tuesday, March 5.

The Queen will have to cut short her proposed visit to Canberra, S.A. and W.A. to return to England on February 28, the day of the snap British election.

The Premier said the Government hoped that the Queen would be able to return to Australia but this would be dependent on the British political situation.

The Duke of Edinburgh will carry out most engagements planned for the Queen's visit, but the following have been cancelled:

- * Inspection of an R.A.A.F. guard of honour at Adelaide Airport.
- * Informal walk through Victoria Square.
- * Garden Party in Government House grounds.

All these engagements were planned for Friday, March 1, in the original programme.

As previously scheduled, the main purpose of Prince Philip's visit is to attend two functions in connection with the Centenary Celebrations of the University of Adelaide.

The Duke of Edinburgh's engagements are:-

Friday, March 1 Noon Arrives at Adelaide Airport

12.15 p.m. Civic Welcome, outside the Adelaide Town Hall.

12.30 p.m. Arrives at Government House.

2.00 p.m. Leaves for the Barossa Valley, visiting Yalumba
Winery and Lindsay Park Stud.

8.15 p.m. Attends banquet at Chrysler Australia Ltd.,
opening the Centenary Year Celebrations
of the University of Adelaide.

Saturday, March 2

12.45 p.m. Luncheon with members of Commonwealth Study
Conferences, Ayers House.

3.00 p.m. Opens Fireball world yachting championships
at Glenelg Sailing Club.

8.15 p.m. Receives degree of Doctor of Science of
the University of Adelaide -- and
delivers an oration, "Universities and
the Diffusion of Culture" -- in the
Adelaide Festival Theatre.

Sunday, March 3

11 a.m. Attends Morning Prayer at St. Peter's Cathedral.

Monday, March 4

10 a.m. Visits the University of Adelaide campus.

10.30 a.m. Leaves for Murray Bridge for a visit between
12.15 p.m. and 2.15 p.m. in connection with
the 50th jubilee celebrations of the Murray
Bridge Corporation; opens new clubrooms of
the Murray Bridge Rowing Club.

9.00 p.m. Attends State Reception at the Art Gallery of S.A.

Tuesday, March 5 Noon Leaves Adelaide Airport for Perth.