

As the Royal plane stood ready on the tarmac, our newsreel camera swung over towards Sir Winston Churchill, who was also about to leave London Airport for the Continent.

Meanwhile the Queen was saying good-bye to Mr Macmillan and to other members of the Government who had come to wish Her Majesty bon voyage on her flight to Portugal.

This was the beginning of the state visit to that friendly nation which is Britain's oldest ally. And the Queen waved happily from the airliner as it prepared to take off. But before the State visit, there was to be a private week-end at Setubal --- where the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were to be together again after a parting of four months.² During that time, the Duke has been seeing for himself many of the great and small places of the British Commonwealth; lonely and remote islands in the Antarctic and the vast South Atlantic --- to which the royal visitor has carried a friendly word of greeting from ^{Great} Britain.