

B AND K SAY GOODBYE.

A few weeks ago, Britain did not even know of the existence of the Russian jet liner T.U.104 - now curious eyes at London Airport see three of them drawn up on the tarmac as Bulganin and Khrushchev arrive for their last trip in Britain - a flying visit to Scotland,

Camerasmen crowding round the Soviet leaders are invited into the aircraft to inspect their accommodation,

In Edinburgh, a visit to the Castle is the main item on the programme. If you haven't seen the Castle, the Scots say, you haven't seen Scotland - and until you've seen Scotland, you haven't seen Britain. A guard of honour from the First Battalion Royal Scots march past, and Bulganin takes the salute.

Back in London a few hours later, comes the ceremony of signing the joint communique on the Anglo-Soviet talks. Nikita Khrushchev seems in a friendly mood as he takes his seat,

Sir Anthony Eden and Nikolai Bulganin prepare to sign the communique which, though it does not contain as many concrete decisions as some people had hoped, none the less marks a real advance in Anglo-Soviet relations. Russia has offered to spend \$800 to £1,000 million on British goods in the next five years, and Britain is studying the offer. Both sides agree on the need to secure peace in the Middle East, and pledge support for United Nations action to bring it about. Both agree that mankind must be saved from the threat of nuclear war, and both will strive to reach agreement on disarmament.

Both sides agree to foster Anglo-Soviet cultural exchanges, and to give the two peoples every opportunity to learn about each other's opinions and ways of life. Altogether, a good start in the right direction.

And so the visits draw to an end at Victoria Station, where the train waits to take the two Russian leaders to Portsmouth. In his farewell speech, Bulganin wishes the British people success and prosperity, and success also in their desire for peace and world co-operation. Sir Anthony Eden replies:-

The speeches are over, the flowers presented, the guests are ready to leave. A last-minute surprise has been announced that Bulganin has invited Sir Anthony to make a return visit to Moscow - and that the British Premier has accepted. Until then, it is up to both Governments to back up the agreements with deeds.

And the last word is Bulganin's - "do svidanya" - 'till we meet again'!