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A family farewell at London Airport for the Duke of Edinburgh, leaving on the first stage of his journey to Australia, where he will open the Olympic Games in Melbourne on November the 22nd. The Queen and the royal children enter the Airliner Ajax, for their private leavetaking.

Ajax is ready for the take-off, and the Queen and her children come down the gangway. They will not be seeing the Duke again for four months. Princess Anne waves her father goodbye; she and her brother, and the Queen herself, are a little subdued at the prospect of such a long parting.

Four thousand miles away, at Tabora in Western Tanganyika, Princess Margaret meets the dancing warriors of the Wagogo tribe. No sadness here; for 40,000 africans, this is a day of great rejoicing - and as the vigour and excitement of the dancing builds up, Princess Margaret enters happily into the spirit of the occasion.

Not only the warriors take part; tribal beauties help to mark the rhythm. There are dozens of different groups showing what they can do. Darkest Africa is awakening. Only a matter of time before rock and roll goes back to where it started.

These dances may be centuries old - but they can seldom have had such an appreciative audience!