

For over a million passengers every year - this aerial view of London airport is their first or last impression of Britain. But soon this "Gateway to a great City" will have a new look.

It's prefab colony of custom sheds, air-line headquarters and passenger reception centre are to be replaced by a new Administration Block in the middle of the aerodrome.

The new Headquarters will be completely surrounded by miles of runway from which the great airliners will take-off and land.

The existing Control Tower already plots the movements of two hundred planes a day - a figure that is steadily increasing.

Work has begun on the new Terminal in the middle of the 'drome - which will provide all the facilities of a great Port for travellers to and from the Capital.

And in order to ensure clear runways - an underground tunnel - nearly half-a-mile long - is being built to take two thousand vehicles per hour to and from the new Airport centre. It will be put into public use for the London-to-New Zealand Air Race next October.

Meanwhile, the busy life of the terminal continues - even to the daily air trips - already made by hundreds of ^{HOLIDAYMAKERS} people this summer - over London's ever-growing airport.