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QUEEN ELIZABETH IN CORSICA
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Queen Elizabeth II arrived in Ajaccio (Corsica) on Saturday aboard a special military plane to join her husband the Duke of Edinburgh for a Mediterranean cruise aboard the royal Yacht BRITANNIA.

A bright sunshine was shining as the Queen's plane landed at Campo del Oro Airport which is surrounded by mountains with some of the peaks still capped with snow. The Duke who arrived earlier in the day aboard the Royal Yacht, boarded the plane to greet his wife. As the Queen reached the ground, descending the steps of the landing ramp she was greeted by Marcel SAVREUX local prefect. A big bouquet of red roses was given the Queen by two girls from a local choir. Another bouquet was given to Princess Alexandra of Kent who followed the Queen from the plane.

All along the four-mile route to the harbor, crowds lined the highway, but the police stationed at the roadside had no trouble in maintaining order.

After a final goodbye to Prefect Savreux, the Queen and her party boarded a harbor launch for the short ride out to the Britannia. The French Navy destroyer "SURCOUF" was escorting the yacht as a courtesy from the French Government, on this informal cruise.