

His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn Phra Vajiraklaochaoyuhua and Her Majesty Queen Suthida Bajrasudhabimalalakshana graciously accepted to preside over the premiere viewing of the documentary commemorating "His Majesty the King's time in Australia at His Excellency Allan McKinnon, the Australian Ambassadors residence on 15 February 2021.

According to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the 18-minute documentary, completed in 2020 by the Australian Embassy in Bangkok, honors His Majesty the King and his time spent in Australia during 1970 to 1976.

The documentary, which used footages from the National Archives of Australia, highlights the unique bonds between Thailand and Australia.

Thailand and Australia established diplomatic relations in 1952. Throughout the years, regular visits to Australia by the Thai Royal Family have been instrumental in fostering friendship, trust, and understanding between the two countries.

In 1962, His Majesty King Bhumibol The Great and Her Majesty Queen Sirikit, The Queen Mother, became the first Non-British Royals to visit Australia. These special ties were further strengthened when His Majesty the King (then titled Crown Prince) joined Kings College, Sydney, Australia's oldest private school in 1970 and, subsequently, the Royal Military College, Duntroon, where he spent four years of military education and training until 1976.

Next year, Thailand and Australia will mark 70 years of diplomatic relations and will continue to embark on the journey of friendship and cooperation for the benefit of the two countries and the region.