

*Jet travelers to Saudi Arabia in the Middle East
are welcomed at the beautiful new*

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IN THIS JET AGE, a flat, arid parcel of Saudi Arabian real estate near the Persian Gulf is becoming an increasingly vital link connecting Europe and the West with India and the East. The presence of oil in the eastern part of Saudi Arabia has stepped up the tempo of local urbanization and commerce, and with it, air traffic from outside. More and more Saudi Arabs are traveling by air over the vast stretches of desert which separate Jiddah, Medina and Riyadh from the Kingdom's east coast population centers. The Dhahran International Airport, as it is now called, recently acquired a magnificent new terminal building befitting the importance of the landing field on world air routes. Designers of the structure tried to combine modern functionalism with a traditional Arabesque appearance appropriate to its setting. As the photographs on these pages demonstrate, they have been eminently successful in their efforts.

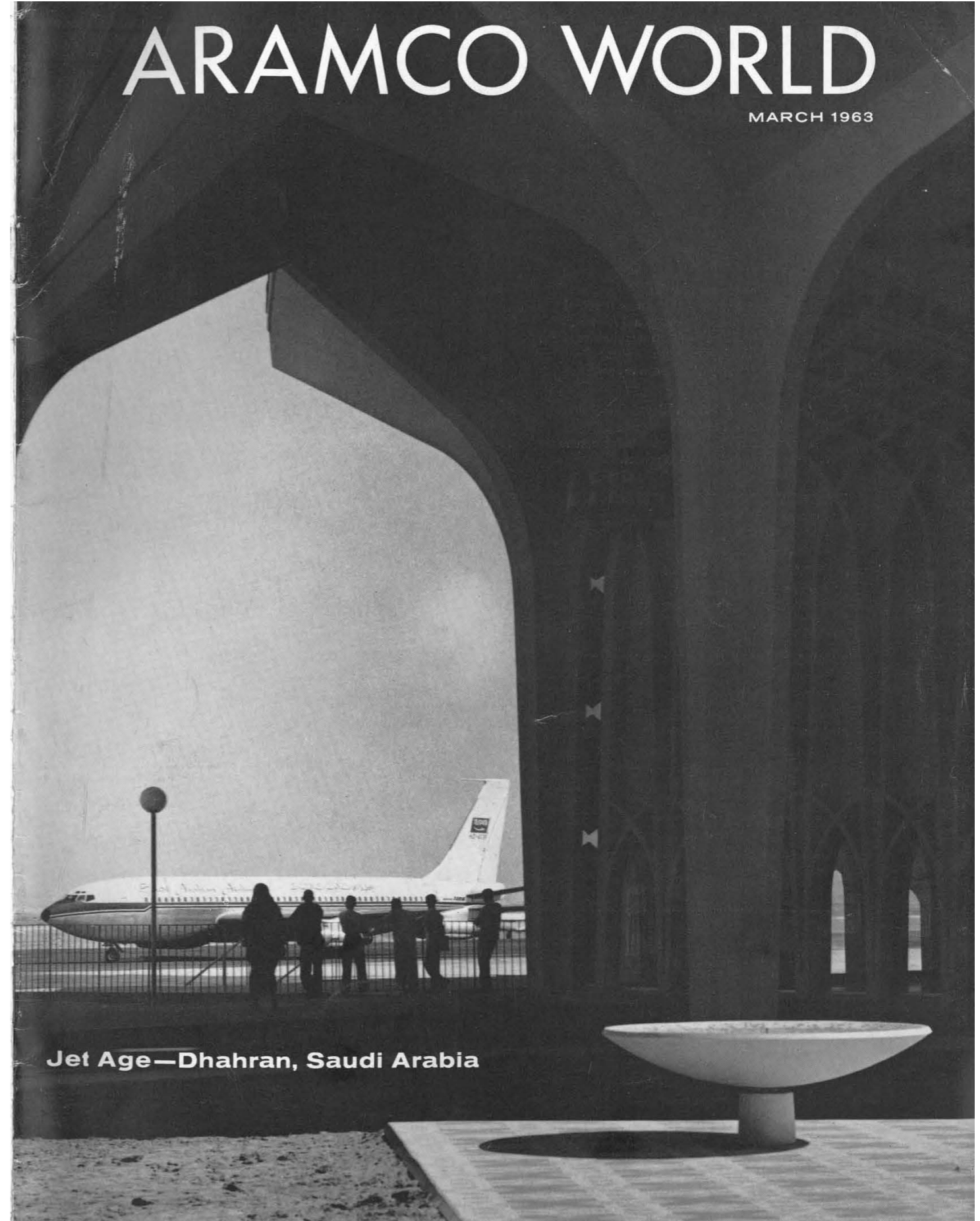


H. M. King Sa'ud of Saudi Arabia cuts ribbon across the entrance of Dhahran International Airport terminal building at formal inaugural in April 1962.



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Prior to departure, passengers report to the various airline check-out counters located in the lobby of the new terminal building.

Flight "movements" in and out of Dhahran Airport every week by 13 international airlines make Dhahran an important air transportation



Transient passengers landing at Dhahran International Airport can stop by the terminal building to enjoy a snack or a meal in air-conditioned comfort.



An Aramco employee has her passport checked at the Aramco Passport Service desk. In an average month, 400 Aramco employees and family members depart on business or vacations.

center in the Middle East. Below, jetliners from Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Japan stand on the runway in front of the main terminal building.



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Royal Saudi Air Force jets perform a "fly-past" over the new terminal.



To make room for construction of the new terminal building at Dhahran International Airport, a hangar was "put on wheels" and towed by truck to a different location a quarter-mile away.

Crowds line the road in front of the new terminal building awaiting the arrival of H. M. King Sa'ud for the dedication ceremonies at Dhahran International Airport.

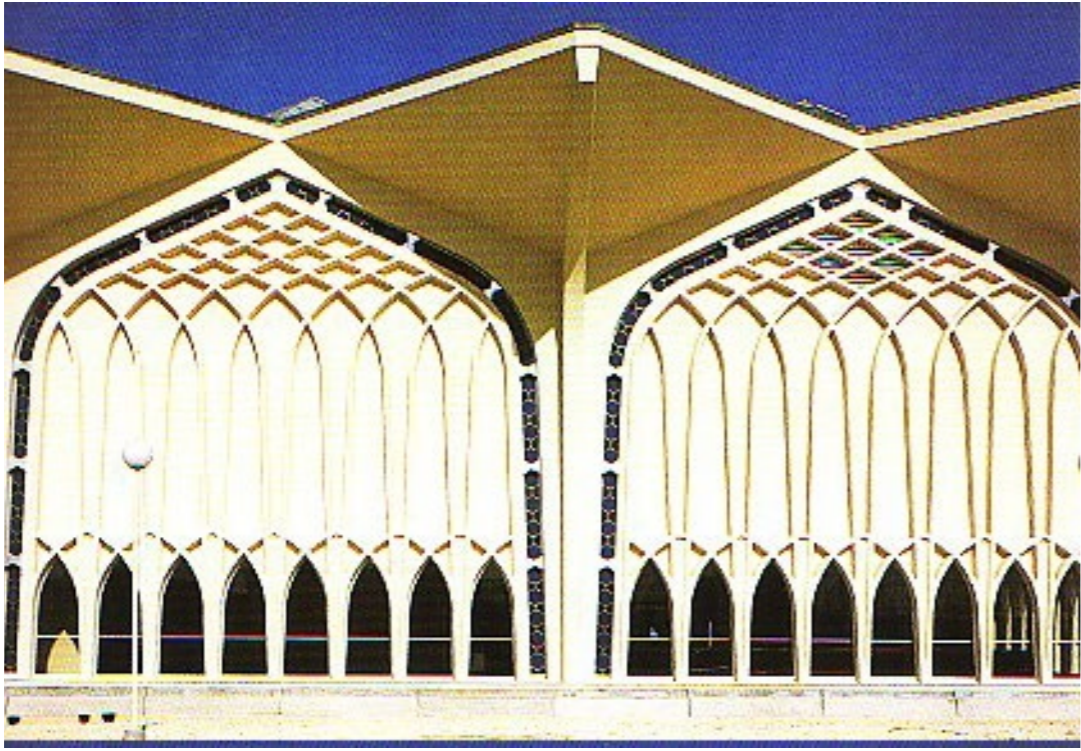


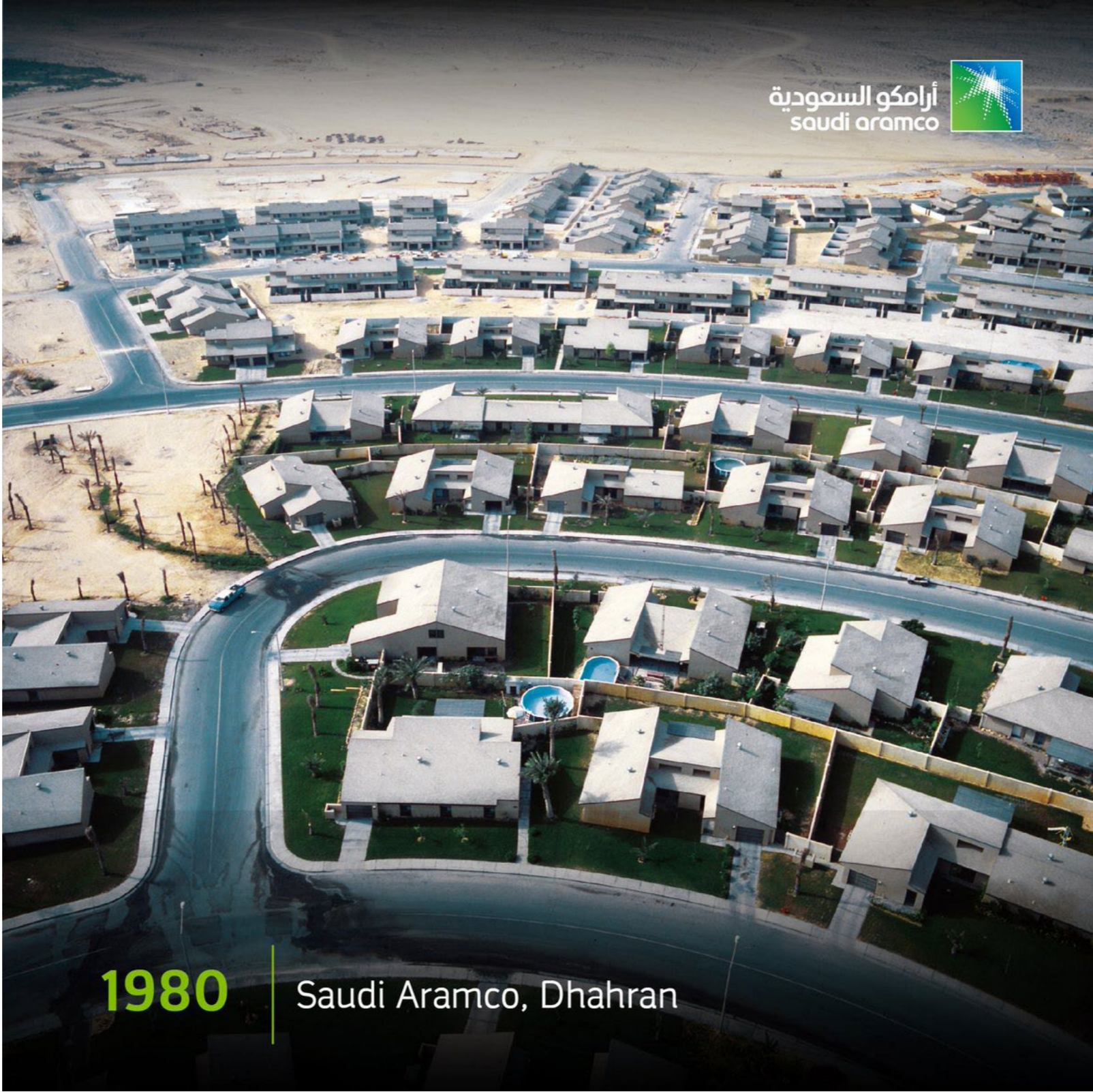


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