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FREIGHTER AIRCRAFT Visit To N.Z. Next Month

A Carvair freighter aircraft will make its first appearance in New Zealand next month, being brought to the Dominion by Straits Air Freight Express, Ltd., for demonstration purposes.

On board the aircraft will be two International Computers and Tabulators (New Zealand), Ltd., computers, which are to be installed at Auckland and at Wellington.

The first Carvair was flown for the first time on June 21, 1961, and entered service with British United Air Ferries in March, 1962. The four-engined transport plane is a DC4 converted to carry motorcars, heavy freight or up to 85 passengers.

The conversion involved replacing the entire forward fuselage with a new nose section containing an hydraulically-operated sideways opening nose-door and with an elevated flight deck over the front of the cargo hold.

The Carvair, which has a payload of 16,800lb, has a capacity of five medium or six small cars and 23 passengers.

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