Queen will face 1000

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native rally

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More than 1000 aboriginals dressed in black will demonstrate at Sydney Airport when the Royal Family arrives in Australia on March 30.

Mrs Kath Walker, secretary of the Federal Council for Aboriginal Advancement in Queensland, said this by telephone from Brisbane today.

"We will demonstrate against genocide and massacre committed against our race," Mrs Walker said.

Final plans for the demonstration will worked out at a Federal executive meeting of the council soon.

"We'll try to find transport for those who want to come from interstate," Mrs Walker said.

"But there will be more than 1000 NSW demon-

strators alone." Mrs Walker is an aboriginal.

"The bicentenary Cook's arrival in Australia is not a time of cele-

bration to us," she said.
"It is a time for mourning our dead people killed by the whites.

'Silent and dignified'

"When the Queen arrives, we will hold a silent, dignified demonstration.

"We will wear black clothes to show our grief and to draw her attention to our problems."



KATH WALKER

Aboriginal demonstra-tions would be held throughout the bicentenary celebrations and for as long as the Royal Family were in Australia, Mrs Walker said.

"You must understand that the airport demon-stration is not intended

as an insult to the Queen," Mrs Walker said. "We just want to point out our present problem, and that the bicentenary to us, is the anniversary of the destruction of aboriginal culture, and the elimination of the Tasmanian aboriginal race."

Meanwhile, small group of aboriginals in Sydney is planning to re-enact their own version of Cook's landing.

They say they plan to show how the aboriginals tried to resist Cook and how "guns spoke louder than spears."