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747 Jet Terminals Get Karastan Carpet

American Airlines has been rolling out thousands of yards of new uniquely-styled red carpet from the Karastan Mill at its air terminals and ticket offices across the country to greet the age of the mammoth jet airliners.

The extensive carpet installations have been designed to provide a distinctive look for facilities built by American to service the new Boeing 747 and other types of the new generation of jet aircraft.

The carpet was ordered by Contract Distributors Corporation for American which had specified a heavy-duty, commercial grade of pure wool pile in a novel red coloration. Karastan's designers created a dense looped pile carpet woven on the company's patented Kara-loc loom.

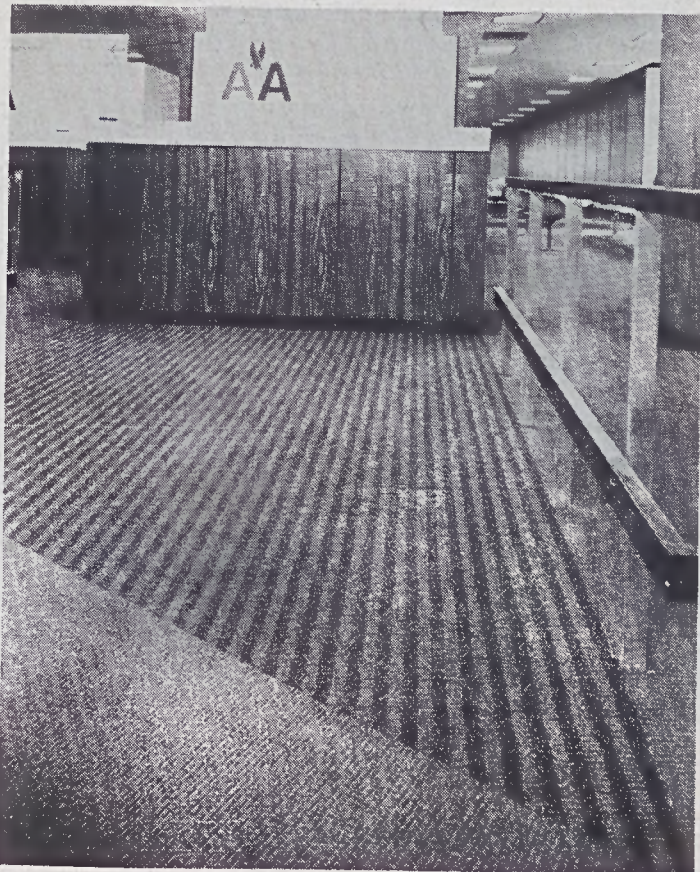
More than 9,000 square yards of the carpet have been installed to date at American's terminals. Installations have been made at Kennedy International and LaGuardia airports in New York and at the air terminals in Los Angeles, San Francisco, El Paso and Cincinnati.

A similar installation is scheduled for Philadelphia's airport. The carpet is also being used at American's ticket office in Chicago's Drake Hotel.

At Kennedy Airport alone more than 3,000 square yards of the rich-looking red carpet were used for a new section added to American's terminal building to service the jumbo jets.

Areas carpeted include a long and broad concourse, the space surrounding the four check-in counters required to handle the heavy passenger load, an enormous lounge for the tourist passengers and a separate lounge for the first class passengers. The

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Special red and black striped design was created by Karastan for the carpet facing the four check-in counters at American Airlines new Astroliner jet gate at Kennedy Airport.