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## RANGE ROVER SUCCESS

The previously unpassable Darien Isthmus, a treacherous jungle, swamp and mountainous area dividing North and South America, has been conquered by the British Trans American Expedition in two Range Rovers.

The 16-strong British Army expedition team is using two specially modified British Leyland Range Rovers in an attempt to make the first ever unbroken land crossing of the American continent from north to south.

After three months tackling some of the worst jungle conditions in the world, the team cabled expedition HQ in London and British Leyland, on April 24, with the message "Mission accomplished".

In conquering the Darien Isthmus, the expedition has completed the missing link in the Pan-American Highway that otherwise runs unbroken from the Arctic Circle to Chile.

If the final stage is successful -- the 6000 miles from Bogota to Cape Horn -- it will be the first ever unbroken land crossing by motor vehicle of the Americas.

The expedition started in December last year with the 7000 mile Range Rover journey from Alaska to Panama City and the assault on the Darien Gap commenced early in January.

The final stage is expected to be completed by the end of May.

NOTE: A Range Rover is also taking part in the Round Australia 7000 mile Caravan Rally, now in progress.

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