

APPENDICES

Appendix 1.

SEMINAR ARRANGEMENTS

This seminar, which was held in the Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology from 19th to 21st April, 1972, was the fourth in a series of five meetings organised by the Commonwealth Secretariat on youth problems, youth training and employment.

The first meeting, held in Nairobi in 1969, dealt with the situation in the Commonwealth countries of Africa. The second, held in Port of Spain in 1970, reviewed the position in the Commonwealth Caribbean. The third regional seminar took place in Kuala Lumpur in 1971 and focussed upon youth in the Commonwealth countries of Asia and the Pacific region. The Malta seminar, followed by a similar meeting in Cyprus, ensured that every Commonwealth country had the opportunity to review its situation and suggest possible lines for action before Commonwealth Officials concerned with youth matters met in June 1972 to help the Commonwealth Secretariat to prepare for the meeting of Commonwealth Ministers planned for early 1973.

The seminar was attended by more than 160 participants, over half of whom were drawn from schools, colleges, polytechnics and the university; some were young people in employment. The remaining members were teachers, youth workers and officials, all having some direct interest and concern in the problems of youth and development. A list of participants is included at Appendix 2 of this Report.

The Secretariat was fortunate in being able to draw on the knowledge and expertise of two individuals with wide experience of youth work in other regions of the Commonwealth, H.E. Mr. Josua Rabukawaqa, High Commissioner for Fiji in the United Kingdom, and Mr. Samuel Kihumba, Executive Secretary of the Board of Adult Education, Kenya. Each spoke at a plenary session and acted as Chairman of a working group.

The working document of the seminar (reproduced at the beginning of Part I of this Report) grouped the topics for discussion under five main heads: youth in society; education and training; employment; youth in the service of communities; and programmes for action. Lead papers on themes related to these topics were delivered by Maltese speakers, and are reproduced in Part III of this Report. The working programme afforded opportunities for discussion in plenary sessions following the presentation of each lead paper, and for further intensive discussion in smaller working groups. A panel discussion was also organised at which all lead speakers were present to answer impromptu questions from participants.

In preparation for the meeting the two officials of the Commonwealth Secretariat, Dr. James A. Maraj and Mr. James Eedle, were able to visit Gozo, speaking to senior pupils gathered at the Lyceum and exchanging views with Gozitan representatives. Mr. Rabukawaqa and Mr. Kihumba also visited Gozo during their stay in the Maltese islands.

The seminar was honoured at its opening session by the presence of the Hon. Miss Agatha Barbara, Minister of Education and Culture and at its closing session by the Hon. Dr. J. Cassar, Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare, both of whom addressed plenary sessions. The full texts of these addresses are included in Part II of the Report, together with the speeches given by Dr. Maraj and Mr. George Mangion, Director of Education, and the closing speech by Mr. Maurice Lubrano of the Ministry of Commonwealth and Foreign Affairs.

The Secretariat wishes to record its gratitude to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Education and Culture, the Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare and officials of their Ministries. Special mention must be made of the generous assistance received from the members of the Organising Committee, Mr. Paul Galea (Chairman),

Mr. George Busuttil, Mr. Arthur Leaver and Mr. Maurice Lubrano, whose excellent preparatory work contributed much to the undoubted success of the seminar.

The Secretariat also wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the assistance given by the Commonwealth Foundation which enabled the representatives of other regions of the Commonwealth to attend the meeting.

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