
Part I

Official organisations

Commonwealth

COMMONWEALTH ADVISORY AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

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Secretary	R D Hillary
Founded	1946
Organisation	The Council, on which each active member country (5) may be represented, meets every few years in different member countries; a central secretariat, comprised of London-based representatives of the active member countries, meets about three times a year; and operates through the Council's office in London.
Aims	To assist the progress of aeronautical research in member countries of the Commonwealth; to facilitate the dissemination of scientific information on aeronautics and allied subjects; to aid the interchange, secondment and visits of scientific personnel; to identify research problems of common interest to two or more members; and to provide a means for co-ordinating research effort on them.
Activities	Periodic Council meetings; collaboration in research and regular exchange of information in aerodynamics, structures, propulsion, operational problems and human engineering; occasional meetings of specialist researchers; and the secondment and interchange of research workers.
Publications	Annual secretariat newsletter.

COMMONWEALTH AGRICULTURAL BUREAUX

Farnham House, Farnham Royal, Slough SL2 3BN, Britain
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Executive Director	N G Jones
Founded	1929. The Commonwealth Agricultural Bureaux consist of four institutes and ten bureaux (see below).
Organisation	The governing body is an executive council comprising representatives of the Commonwealth member countries which contribute to its funds. There are about 400 staff.
Aims	To provide a scientific information service, identification of pests, and biological control services.
Activities and publications	Each institute and bureau is concerned with its own branch of agricultural science, and acts as an effective clearing house for the collection, collation and dissemination of information of value to research workers. The information is published in one primary journal, 26 secondary abstract journals and 17 specialised journals

which have a circulation of 30,000 in 150 countries. The journals have been produced by computer-assisted processes since January 1973; over 1.5 million records are already on tape, and the number increases by over 150,000 per annum. All or part of the data base is available on tape for SDI and retrieval purposes. CAB Abstracts are also available online through Lockheed's DIALOG Retrieval Service, the ESA/QUEST system and DIMDI.

Numerous other books, pamphlets, maps, annotated bibliographies and technical communications are printed and the Bureaux also run training courses for specialists working in information, taxonomy and biological control.

The Institutes of Entomology, Mycology and Parasitology respectively provide identification services for insect, fungal and helminth pests, and the Institute of Biological Control, with its headquarters in Trinidad and Tobago and stations throughout the world, develops methods for managing pests, using biotic agents.

COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

**Gordon Street, Curepe, Trinidad and Tobago
Tel: Trinidad 6624173**

Biocontrol News and Information, quarterly; and *Catalogue of the Parasites and Predators of Insect Pests*.

COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE OF ENTOMOLOGY

**56 Queen's Gate, London SW7 5JR, Britain
Tel: 01-584 0067**

Review of Applied Entomology, monthly. Series A—Agricultural, Series B—Medical and Veterinary; *Bulletin of Entomological Research*, quarterly; *Distribution Maps of Pests*, 18 per annum; *Annotated Bibliographies*, irregular; *Systematic Monographs*, irregular; and *Miscellaneous Publications*; irregular.

COMMONWEALTH MYCOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

**Ferry Lane, Kew, Richmond TW9 3AF, Middlesex, Britain
Tel: 01-940 4086**

Review of Plant Pathology, monthly; *Review of Medical and Veterinary Mycology*, quarterly; *International Biodeterioration*, quarterly; *Index of Fungi*; and *Bibliography of Systemic Mycology*, half yearly.

COMMONWEALTH INSTITUTE OF PARASITOLOGY

**395A Hatfield Road, St Albans, Herts AL4 0XU, Britain
Tel: St Albans 33151/5**

Helminthological Abstracts, Series A—Animal and Human Helminthology, monthly; Series B—Plant Nematology, quarterly; *Proto-zoological Abstracts*, monthly.

**COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL
ECONOMICS**

**Dartington House, Little Clarendon Street,
Oxford OX1 2HH, Britain
Tel: Oxford 59829**

World Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology Abstracts, monthly; *Rural Development Abstracts*, quarterly; *Rural Extension Education and Training Abstracts*, quarterly; and *Leisure Recreation and Tourism Abstracts*, quarterly.

**COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF ANIMAL BREEDING AND
GENETICS**

**Animal Breeding Research Organisation, The King's Buildings,
West Mains Road, Edinburgh EH9 3JX, Scotland
Tel: Edinburgh 667 6901**

Animal Breeding Abstracts, monthly; *Poultry Abstracts*, monthly.

**COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF ANIMAL HEALTH
Central Veterinary Laboratory, New Haw, Weybridge, KT15 3NB,
Surrey, Britain
Tel: Byfleet 42826**

Veterinary Bulletin, monthly; *Index Veterinarius*, monthly; *Small Animal Abstracts*, quarterly; and *Animal Disease Occurrence* (data tables), half yearly.

**COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF DAIRY SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY**

**Lane End House, Shinfield, Reading RG2 9BB, Britain
Tel: Reading 883895 Telex: 847204**

Dairy Science Abstracts, monthly; and *Pig News and Information*, quarterly.

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF NUTRITION

**Rowett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeen AB2 9SB, Scotland
Tel: Aberdeen 712162**

Nutrition Abstracts and Reviews, Series A—Human and Experimental, monthly; Series B—Livestock Feeds and Feeding, monthly.

COMMONWEALTH FORESTRY BUREAU

**Commonwealth Forestry Institute, South Parks Road,
Oxford OX1 3RD, Britain
Tel: Oxford 57185**

Forestry Abstracts, monthly; *Forest Products Abstracts*, monthly.

**COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF HORTICULTURE AND
PLANTATION CROPS**

**East Malling Research Station, Maidstone, Kent ME19 6BJ, Britain
Tel: West Malling 843833**

Horticultural Abstracts, monthly; *Cotton and Tropical Fibres Abstracts*, monthly; *Ornamental Horticulture*, monthly; *Sorghum and Millets Abstracts*, monthly; *Tropical Oil Seeds Abstracts*, monthly.

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF PASTURES AND FIELD CROPS

**Hurley, Maidenhead, Berks SL6 5LR, Britain
Tel: Littlewick Green 3457**

Herbage Abstracts, monthly; *Field Crop Abstracts*, monthly; *Crop Physiology Abstracts*, monthly; *Plant Growth Regular Abstracts*, monthly; *Potato Abstracts*, monthly; *Rice Abstracts*, monthly; *Seed Abstracts*, monthly; *Soyabean Abstracts*, monthly; *Weed Abstracts*, monthly; *Faba Bean Abstracts*, quarterly; and *Lentil Abstracts*, annually.

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF PLANT BREEDING AND GENETICS

**Department of Applied Biology, Pembroke Street,
Cambridge CB2 3DX
Tel: Cambridge 358381**

Plant Breeding Abstracts, monthly; *Maize Quality Protein Abstracts*, quarterly; *Wheat, Barley and Triticale Abstracts*, quarterly.

COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF SOILS

**Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden AL5 2JQ, Britain
Tel: Harpenden 63133**

Soils and Fertilizers, monthly; *Irrigation and Drainage Abstracts*, quarterly.

The following journals are also published by CAB in conjunction with the

International Food Information Service: *Food Science and Technology Abstracts*, monthly.

International Trust for Zoological Nomenclature: *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature*, quarterly.

National Institute of Agricultural Engineering: *Agricultural Engineering Abstracts*, monthly.

COMMONWEALTH AIR TRANSPORT COUNCIL

**2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3EB, Britain
Tel: 01-212 5594 Telex: 22221 DOETMAR G**

Secretary
Founded
Organisation

J F Langley
1945

Membership is open to the governments of all Commonwealth countries and British dependent territories. The Councils' secretariat is housed in and staffed by the British Government department responsible for civil aviation and is financed by member governments.

Aims

To keep under review the progress and development of civil aviation communications; to serve as a medium for exchange of views and information between Commonwealth countries on civil air transport matters, and to consider and advise on civil aviation matters which governments refer to the Council.

Activities

The Council meets every three years; between meetings the secretariat maintains contact on policy matters and provides an information service to member states.

Publications *Commonwealth Air Transport Review*, three times a year; *Commonwealth Air Transport Electronics News*, twice a year; *Commonwealth Air Transport Selected R & D Abstracts*, twice a year; *Training Facilities in Commonwealth Countries*, triennial.

**COMMONWEALTH COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE
(OPERATIONAL CLOTHING AND COMBAT EQUIPMENT)
CCD(OCCE) Secretariat, Ministry of Defence, Room 210,
B Wing, Sena Bhawan, DHQ PO, New Delhi, India**

Secretary
Founded
Aims and activities

S L Gandhi
1946

To organise three-yearly conferences on operational clothing and combat equipment (excluding arms and ammunition); to facilitate the exchange of information and the exchange of samples of items of protective clothing and equipment; where appropriate to organise technical and scientific staff exchanges; to arrange joint research and development; where necessary to assist countries to set up R & D and quality assurance establishments, and to publish directories and other information.

**COMMONWEALTH COMMITTEE ON MINERAL
RESOURCES AND GEOLOGY
Commonwealth Science Council, Marlborough House,
Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
Tel: 01-839 3411**

Secretary
Founded
Organisation

The Geological Liaison Officer
1950

The Committee has 31 members, usually represented by the head of the national organisation concerned with geology and mineral resources. A London Management Committee supervises the work of the Commonwealth Geological Liaison Officer (and Secretary to the Committee) who functions as part of the secretariat of the Commonwealth Science Council.

Aims

To undertake liaison work in matters pertaining to geology and mineral resources of Commonwealth countries, and to promote collaboration and interchange of information between geological organisations throughout the Commonwealth.

Activities

Arranges conferences, seminars and meetings; training programmes; conducts liaison visits to member countries; deals with requests from members; and reports on specialist meetings.

Publications

Monthly Newsletter; *Job Opportunities List*, monthly; occasional Liaison Reports and Special Liaison Reports.

**COMMONWEALTH DEFENCE SCIENCE ORGANISATION
Ministry of Defence (DS3) Main Building,
Whitehall, London SW1 2HB, Britain
Tel: 01-218 2037 or 01-218 7365**

Secretary
History
Organisation

Mrs G F Tucker
Founded 1946 (Commonwealth Advisory Committee on Defence Science); assumed current name in 1961.

Fifteen Commonwealth countries are members of the CDSO. An executive committee, composed of the head defence scientists of each member country, directs the organisations's work; between executive committee meetings the Commonwealth Defence Science Com-

	mittee, composed of London-based representatives of the executive, conducts day-to-day operations. There is an executive staff of two.
Aims	To promote the advancement of defence science throughout the Commonwealth.
Activities	Triennial conferences; exchange of information on military and civilian problems of food research through the CDSO Food Study Group; collection, collation and distribution of information on corrosion research through the CDSO Corrosion Cell in India; exchange of information on civilian and military health research through the CDSO Preventive Medicine Group; provision of advice on establishing contacts, exchanging information, and arranging joint facilities for co-operative research.
Publications	<i>Directory of Commonwealth Research and Development Establishment</i> (for members only).

COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION

Marlborough House, Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
Tel: 01-930 3783

Director	Inoke Faletau
History	Established in 1966, by Commonwealth Heads of Government to promote professional co-operation within the Commonwealth. Mandate extended in 1979 to voluntary non-governmental organisations and functions broadened to include culture, information and the media, rural development, social welfare and the handicapped, and the role of women.
Aims and activities	The Foundation makes grants to professional people to take part in conferences, study visits and training attachments within the Commonwealth; it provides financial support to Commonwealth professional associations and professional centres (see below); funds short-term fellowship schemes, in co-operation with other organisations, to promote research, mid-career re-training and the widening of professional experience in fields such as agricultural sciences, veterinary medicine, architecture, journalism and university administration; awards three fellowships annually for eminent practitioners in selected areas of specialisation; and makes grants to facilitate the flow of professional information. It makes donations of Commonwealth books and publications to libraries and teaching institutions.
Publications	The Foundation supports journals of professional significance for developing Commonwealth countries and commissions publications by Commonwealth professional bodies and non-governmental organisations, including <i>Professional Organisations in the Commonwealth</i> , 1976; <i>Commonwealth Caribbean Directory of Aid Agencies</i> , 1978; <i>Commonwealth African Directory of Aid Agencies</i> , 1979; <i>Commonwealth Asian and South Pacific Directory of Aid Agencies</i> , 1981; <i>The Unofficial Commonwealth: The Story of the Commonwealth Foundation</i> , 1982. It has also provided financial support for launching or subsidising journals such as <i>Tropical Doctor</i> , <i>Appropriate Technology</i> , <i>Tropical Animal Health and Production</i> , <i>Journal of Commonwealth Literature</i> , <i>Anglo-French Journal of Tropical Dentistry and Commonwealth</i> . The Foundation's biennial report to Heads of Government is published in <i>Aims and Achievements</i> .
Commonwealth professional associations	Commonwealth Association of Scientific Agricultural Societies Commonwealth Association of Architects Commonwealth Society for the Deaf

Commonwealth Council for Educational Administration
 Commonwealth Engineers Council
 Commonwealth Geographical Bureau
 Commonwealth Human Ecology Council
 Commonwealth Journalists Association
 Commonwealth Association for Education in Journalism and
 Communication
 Commonwealth Lawyers Association
 Commonwealth Legal Education Association
 Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies
 Commonwealth Magistrates Association
 Commonwealth Medical Association
 Commonwealth Association for Mental Handicap and Develop-
 mental Disabilities
 Commonwealth Association of Museums
 Commonwealth Nurses Federation
 Commonwealth Pharmaceutical Association
 Commonwealth Association of Planners
 Commonwealth Association of Science, Technology and Mathe-
 matics Educators
 Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy
 Commonwealth Veterinary Association
 These associations, and the London-based liaison group,
 Commonwealth Professional Associations, are supported by the
 Foundation. (See also entry on each association.)

Professional
centres

Barbados Association of Professional Organisations
 Fiji Professional Centre
 The Guyana Society
 Professional Societies Association of Jamaica
 Professional Centre of Kenya
 London Science Centre
 Malaysia Professional Centre
 Federation of Professional Bodies (Malta)
 Professional Centre of the Northern Territory (Darwin)
 Sierra Leone Association of Professional Organizations
 Singapore Professional Centre
 Organisation of Professional Associations of Sri Lanka
 Sydney Science Centre
 Tanzania Professional Centre
 Professional Centre of Trinidad and Tobago
 Professional Centre of Uganda
 Professional Centre of Zambia

**COMMONWEALTH FUND FOR TECHNICAL
CO-OPERATION (CFTC)**

**Commonwealth Secretariat, Marlborough House,
Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
Tel: 01-839 3411 Telex: 27678**

Managing Director
Founded
Organisation

Robert McLaren
1971

The CFTC is funded by voluntary subscriptions from Commonwealth governments, who are all represented on its governing body, the Board of Representatives, which is assisted by a Committee of Management. The CFTC functions as part of the Commonwealth Secretariat and its Managing Director, with the rank of Assistant Secretary-General, is responsible to the

Commonwealth Secretary-General who is also chairman of the Committee of Management. All Commonwealth developing countries including associated states and dependent territories and Commonwealth regional organisations are eligible for CFTC support.

Activities Providing experts to work in key areas of development; providing training, largely for middle-level officials, mainly in the institutions and workplaces of other developing countries; providing advice to governments in such areas as economic and fiscal policy, law, negotiations with transnational corporations, statistics; assisting industrial expansion and export promotion. The CFTC also finances divisions of the Secretariat concerned with food production and rural development and with training. (See also Commonwealth Secretariat).

COMMONWEALTH GEOLOGICAL LIAISON OFFICE
Commonwealth Science Council, Marlborough House, Pall Mall,
London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
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See Commonwealth Committee on Mineral Resources and Geology, and Commonwealth Science Council.

COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP PLAN

For general enquiries contact: Higher Education Unit,
Commonwealth Secretariat, Marlborough House, Pall Mall,
London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
Tel: 01-839 3411

Aims The CSFP was created to enable Commonwealth students of high intellectual promise to study in Commonwealth countries other than their own so that they could make a distinctive contribution to life in their own countries and to mutual understanding in the Commonwealth.

History The Plan, recommended by a Commonwealth Trade and Economic Conference in 1958, was launched by the first Commonwealth Education Conference in 1959, the first scholars took up awards in 1960.

Operation There is no single authority controlling the Plan which works through bilateral arrangements. Awards are offered at present by Australia, The Bahamas, Britain, Canada, Cyprus, Ghana, Guyana, Hong Kong, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Malaysia, Malta, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Trinidad and Tobago and Zimbabwe. The total number of awards is set to rise to over 1650 in 1985. There are two main types of award. Visiting professorships or fellowships are intended for scholars of established reputation and achievement and are made by invitation only. Scholarships are mainly for postgraduate study at university though awards for undergraduate study can be made to students from countries where there are no universities or whose universities do not offer certain courses. Candidates under 28 years are preferred. In addition, Britain makes awards to university teachers on the nomination of their vice-chancellors.

Publications Annual reports on the Plan are available from the Commonwealth Secretariat. Addresses of its agencies in Commonwealth countries are listed in the Commonwealth Universities Yearbook or can be

obtained from the Association of Commonwealth Universities (see entry).

COMMONWEALTH SCIENCE COUNCIL
Marlborough House, Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
Tel: 01-839 3411

Secretary	Professor José Furtado
Founded	1946 as the Standing Committee of the British Commonwealth Scientific Official Conference; renamed British Commonwealth Scientific Committee in 1958 and Commonwealth Scientific Committee in 1964. Present name adopted 1975.
Organisation	CSC has 32 member countries; it is managed by an executive committee representative of the different regions of the Commonwealth, which is elected at full biennial council meetings. The CSC secretariat, including eight professional officers, functions as part of the Commonwealth Secretariat. The Secretary is also Science Adviser to the Commonwealth Secretary-General.
Aims	To promote collaboration between member countries of the Commonwealth to increase national capabilities to use science and technology for economic, social and environmental development.
Activities	Promoting the exchange of information and personnel; sponsoring studies designed to assist scientific and technological activities to meet national and regional needs of member countries; and encouraging bilateral and multilateral collaboration in scientific pursuits on problems of common concern. The CSC co-ordinates regional programmes in natural resources, energy, mineral resources, metrology and standards, science policy and other areas. The Commonwealth Geological Liaison Office of the Commonwealth Committee on Mineral Resources and Geology is part of the CSC Secretariat.
Publications	Seminar and conference proceedings, directories, newsletter, technical reports, roster of specialists.

COMMONWEALTH SECRETARIAT
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Secretary-General	Shridath S Ramphal
Founded	1965
Organisation	The Commonwealth Secretariat is the main official organisation of the Commonwealth. It facilitates consultations and exchanges of information between member governments, organises meetings of Heads of Government, of ministers and officials, and carries out programmes of co-operation. The Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation (CFTC) set up in 1971, the Commonwealth Youth Programme (established 1973) and the secretariat of the Commonwealth Science Council (see alphabetical entries) form part of the Secretariat. The Secretary-General and his two deputies are elected by Heads of Government; other staff are appointed by the Secretary-General. Total staff number around 400 drawn from nearly 30 countries.
Activities	The Secretariat is active in international political and economic affairs and in several other fields, and is organised in divisions and programmes corresponding to these interests.

Commonwealth Fund
for Technical
Co-operation

Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation (see entry above) provides technical assistance to Commonwealth developing countries. It supplies experts, offers assistance through an in-house consultancy group, supports training, has programmes to assist industry and exports, finances units concerned with food production and rural development and with management training and supports development-oriented work undertaken by the Secretariat in other fields.

The *General Technical Assistance Programme* provides experts at the request of governments. These professional, technical or managerial specialists undertake assignments in any key developmental area where no qualified national is available. Most of its 300 long-term experts come from Commonwealth developing countries.

The *Fellowships and Training Programme* makes awards for training through institutional courses or attachments, mainly in other developing countries. Trainees, nominated by their own governments, are mostly officials in important areas of development who would gain from specialised training abroad.

The *Technical Assistance Group* provides consultancy advice to governments, frequently at short notice. It has particular expertise in economic planning, negotiations with multinationals, law, finance and statistics.

The *Industrial Development Unit* assists governments to launch or upgrade industries. It identifies potential industries, undertakes feasibility studies, assists in finding finance and technical expertise and helps in the early stages of production.

International affairs

The *International Affairs Division* facilitates the exchange of views between governments on political issues; it services the two-yearly meetings of Heads of Government and of Senior Officials, meetings of the Commonwealth Committee on Southern Africa, ad hoc committees such as the Commonwealth Committee on Cyprus and Commonwealth Committee on Belize, and such study groups as that appointed in 1984 to report on the security of small states. It maintains contact with the United Nations, the Secretariat having observer status at the UN General Assembly.

Economic affairs

The *Economic Affairs Division* assists consultation on economic issues; conducts studies in the fields of commodities, trade, finance, industry, employment and economic co-operation; and publishes regular bulletins on selected commodities, the activities of international and regional organisations, and international capital markets. It services the annual meetings of Commonwealth Finance Ministers and of Employment and Labour Ministers as well as specialist expert groups set up from time to time. The reports of recent expert groups have been published as *World Economic Crisis: A Commonwealth perspective* (1980), *Protectionism: Threat to international order* (1982), *The North-South Dialogue: Making it work* (1982), *Towards A New Bretton Woods: Challenges for the world financial and trading system* (1983) and *The Debt Crisis and the World Economy* (1984). In late 1984, the Division was servicing the Commonwealth Consultative Group on Economic Action set up to promote consensus on international economic issues and an expert group on the management of technological change. It organises consultations between lenders in the international capital markets and Commonwealth borrowers; it promotes co-operation among regional organisations with Commonwealth membership; it assists ACP countries in the context of the Lomé Convention.

- Export market development The *Export Market Development Division* provides a range of services designed to promote exports of primary and manufactured products to existing and new markets. Broadly, the Division provides assistance in five areas: facilities relating to infrastructure for export development and promotion; market surveys, development and adaptation of products to match overseas market needs; practical marketing exercises such as buyer-seller meets, contact promotion programmes, export business intensification programmes, trade missions, etc; and training in export marketing, trade policy and allied fields through the organisation of specialist seminars.
- Food production and rural development The *Food Production and Rural Development Division* aims to assist developing countries produce more food and improve the living standards of rural populations. It is particularly concerned with integrated rural development projects which make maximum use of local resources, and with inter-country and regional collaboration. Current areas of special interest are: agricultural project preparation, implementation and management; preparation of national food strategies; training; livestock; fisheries development including the management of Exclusive Economic Zones; post-harvest loss reduction and improvement in food storage; small-holder credit, and appropriate technology for small farmers. It organises biennial consultations among Commonwealth Ministers of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, and operates exchange visits between countries.
- Human resource development The Secretariat's *Human Resource Development Group* consists of six programmes concerned largely with skills: the Education, Fellowships and Training, Management Development, Health, Women and Development and Youth Programmes.
- The *Education Programme* encourages and assists co-operation in education. It organises Education Ministers Meetings and implements their recommendations; holds conferences, seminars, workshops and courses; undertakes studies of educational problems; collects, analyses and disseminates information; and publishes reports. Its work is guided by the *Commonwealth Education Liaison Committee* on which all governments are represented. It services the Commonwealth Standing Committee on Student Mobility and is setting up a Higher Education Unit.
- Fellowships and Training Programme*: see CFTC, above.
- The *Management Development Programme* provides opportunities for study and exchange of experience among senior administrators in the civil service and public sector organisations throughout the Commonwealth. Its activities include seminars, training programmes, studies and publications, and the provision of advisory services to governments on public administration and management. It has special expertise in public enterprise management and in the administrative problems of small states.
- The *Medical Programme* fosters co-operation in the health field and assists governments with health planning and management and health manpower development. It organises triennial meetings of Commonwealth Health Ministers and annual one-day meetings of Ministers before the World Health Assembly in Geneva. It collaborates with regional health agencies and provides support for regional health programmes, particularly those concerned with training and the pooling of resources. The strengthening of professional training in developing countries, community health education and the needs of small states are areas of special concern.

The *Women and Development Programme* supports governments' efforts to enhance women's role in development through better employment opportunities, training and women's organisations. It conducts seminars and workshops, undertakes studies and has a publications programme.

The *Youth Programme* supports governments in the development of policies and programmes to increase the participation of young people in society (see entry under Commonwealth Youth Programme).

Law The *Legal Division* helps with the exchange of biennial information on legal developments and provides specialist advice on request; it organises the biennial Commonwealth Law Ministers' meetings and implements their recommendations; assists member countries in legislative drafting, negotiation of agreements, law revision and taxation policies; publishes the quarterly *Commonwealth Law Bulletin* and legal monographs and encourages co-operation in appropriate legal matters. It runs the Commonwealth Fraud Liaison Service.

Science, technology and geology The *Science Division*, incorporating the secretariat of the Commonwealth Science Council, fosters collaboration in the use of science and technology for economic, social and environmental development (see Commonwealth Science Council and Commonwealth Geological Liaison Office, above).

Information The *Information Division* seeks to make people aware of the modern Commonwealth. It handles press arrangements for Commonwealth meetings, provides information to the media and to the public, publishes *Commonwealth Currents*, a bimonthly magazine, and a range of reference and information material, produces radio tape programmes and makes occasional films.

Publications Reports of the Commonwealth Secretary-General, biennial. Periodicals: *Commonwealth Currents*, six times a year; *Commonwealth Law Bulletin*, quarterly; *Commonwealth Science Council Newsletter*, quarterly; Commonwealth Geological Liaison Office Newsletter, monthly; *Youth News Service Bulletin*, bimonthly; *International Development Policies*, quarterly, *Basic Statistical Data* on countries with populations of less than 5 million, and a series of commodity bulletins. A catalogue of publications, including research studies, expert groups' reports, directories, conference reports, and general Commonwealth information, is available on request.

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General Secretary (ai) Graham H Cunnold
History 1928 Imperial Communications Advisory Committee; reconstituted 1944 as Commonwealth Telecommunications Council; Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation set up 1966 with representatives from each partner government replacing former central body, and secretariat (Commonwealth Telecommunications Bureau) established.

Organisation International organisation comprising Commonwealth Telecommunications Conference, Council and Bureau. The Conference, at governmental level, considers policy and the Financial Agreement and makes recommendations to governments. The Council, comprising senior officials of external communications administrations, is responsible for consultation and the adminis-

tration of the Financial Agreement. The Commonwealth Accounting Arrangements (1983 Financial Agreement) provide for preferential adjustments for developing countries in their traffic account settlements with developed-country partners.

- Aims To optimise the utilisation of facilities and overall efficiency of the external communications services of partner governments through collaborative arrangements, consultation and mutual assistance.
- Activities The Conference, attended by senior officials of all Commonwealth governments, meets approximately once in three years. The Council, representing partner governments (i.e. signatories of the CTO financial agreement) meets at least once a year. Specialist meetings are also held. Technical co-operation includes training and loans of experts as well as mutual collaboration in such specialist areas as network operation systems and development.
- Publications Conference report.

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVES COMMISSION
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- Director-General Sir Arthur Hockaday KCB CMG
- History Established by Royal Charter in 1917 (Imperial War Graves Commission); assumed current name in 1960.
- Organisation Member governments are Australia, Britain, Canada, India, New Zealand and South Africa; they share the cost of the Commission's work in proportion to the numbers of their graves. The Commission comprises eight official members (in addition to the President), including the British Secretary of State for Defence (Chairman) and Minister for Housing and Construction, and the representatives in London of the overseas member governments, and up to nine non-official members appointed by Royal Warrant. There are 12 executive staff.
- Aims To mark and maintain the graves of all members of Commonwealth forces who died in the two world wars, to build memorials to those who have no known grave, and to keep records and registers including—after the Second World War—a record of the civilian war dead.
- Activities Following the permanent marking of graves, construction of war memorials and cemeteries, the main task of the Commission is now the structural and horticultural maintenance of the sites in 140 countries; information on grave sites, etc, is provided to enquirers: Commission meetings are held every three months; technical and administrative staff training courses are organised.
- Publications *The Unending Vigil*, by Philip Longworth, a history of the Commission 1917–67 (a new edition in preparation); *Cemetery and Memorial Registers*; Michelin Maps Nos. 51–53, overprinted with Commission sites; Annual Report, published in November; *I will make you a name*, 16 mm. film in colour about the Commission's work, 1976.

COMMONWEALTH YOUTH PROGRAMME (CYP)
Commonwealth Secretariat, Marlborough House, Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5HX, Britain
Tel: 01-839 3411

- Director Raja G Gomez
- Founded 1973

Aims	To assist governments in the fuller involvement of young people in national development.
Organisation	The Programme, administered by the Commonwealth Secretariat, is financed by Commonwealth governments and guided by the Commonwealth Youth Affairs Council, representing all member governments, which meets every two years.
Activities	The CYP provides training for people working with youth and provides advice at the request of governments. It organises workshops and seminars and issues publications to assist the exchange of information on youth policy. Much of its work is done through its four regional centres: <i>CYP Africa Centre</i> : P O Box 30190, Lusaka, Zambia; Director, Dr Arthur Nsimuko <i>CYP Asia Centre</i> ; P O Box 78, Chandigarh, India; Director, Wilmot de Silva Ratnaweera <i>CYP Caribbean Centre</i> : P O Box 101063, Georgetown, Guyana; Director, Nicholas Brathwaite; Acting Director, Samuel R Neverson <i>CYP South Pacific Centre</i> ; c/o Institute of Education, University of the South Pacific, P O Box 1168, Suva, Fiji; Acting Director, Samuela Vanini (See also Commonwealth Secretariat).

Regional

AFRICAN SOCIAL STUDIES PROGRAMME

P O Box 44777, Nairobi, Kenya
Tel: Nairobi 28344

Executive Secretary	Dr P Muyanda-Mutebi
Founded	1968
Organisation	Member countries are: Botswana, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The governing body is a co-ordinating committee representing all member countries; an executive committee of seven oversees activities. There are ten full-time staff.
Aims	To promote the development of new curricula in social studies in African schools, and to increase awareness of the value of social studies; to raise professional standards in social science education.
Activities	Provides a secretariat for education ministries, disseminating information on social studies projects in Africa and elsewhere and assisting liaison between countries. Organises conferences, meetings and research projects, awards scholarships, assists training, travel and exchanges, and encourages professional contact and friendship.
Publications	<i>ASSP Newsletter</i> , quarterly.

CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY SECRETARIAT (Caricom)

3rd Floor, Bank of Guyana Building, Georgetown, Guyana
Tel: 69280-9 Telex: 2263 CARISEC GY
Cables: CARIBSEC GUYANA

Secretary-General	Roderick Rainford
History	Founded 1973, by agreement of Commonwealth Caribbean Heads of Government, on the signing of the Treaty of Chaguaramas.

	Caricom superseded the Caribbean Free Trade Association (Carifta) which was established in 1968.
Organisation	Member countries and territories are Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Montserrat, St Christopher-Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago. The Heads of Government Conference is the supreme authority of the Community and Common Market, and determines the policy of the Community. A Common Market Council of Ministers is responsible for the development and operation of the Common Market, and the settlement of problems arising out of its functioning.
Aims	Economic integration by means of the Common Market; co-operation in spheres other than economic and operation of certain common services; and co-ordination of foreign policies of member states.
Activities	Annual conferences; tri-annual meetings of the Common Market; meetings of Caricom ministers and officials; meetings of institutions of Caricom, established by the conference; seminars, working parties, and lecture tours.
Publications	<i>Treaty establishing the Caribbean Community, Chaguaramas, 4 July 1973; A digest of trade statistics of Caricom member states, and others.</i>
Organisations associated with Caricom	Caribbean Agricultural Research Development Institute (CARDI), Caribbean Development Bank, Caribbean Examinations Council, Caribbean Food Corporation, Caribbean Food and Nutrition Institute, Caribbean Investment Corporation, Caribbean Meteorological Council, Council of Legal Education, Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (see below), University of Guyana, University of the West Indies, West Indies Associated States Council of Ministers, West Indies Shipping Corporation (Wisco).

COLOMBO PLAN FOR CO-OPERATIVE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (THE COLOMBO PLAN)

**Colombo Plan Bureau, 12 Melbourne Avenue
P O Box 596, Colombo 4, Sri Lanka
Tel: 81813/81853/81754**

Telegram: SACTEC Colombo

**Colombo Plan Staff College for Technician Education,
Tanglin, P O Box 187, Singapore 9124
Tel: 2356055**

Director of Bureau
Director of Staff College
History
Organisation

Erik Ingevcis

Professor Y Saran

Bureau founded 1950; Staff College founded 1974.

Member countries: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran, Democratic Kampuchea, Republic of Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand (within the region); Australia, Britain, Canada, Japan, New Zealand and the USA (outside the region).

All member countries are represented on the Consultative Committee, which meets once every two years at ministerial level; Colombo Plan Council for Technical Co-operation, which meets two or three times a year; Colombo Plan Bureau, which monitors technical assistance and disseminates information; and the governing

	board of the Colombo Plan Staff College, which provides courses for technician-teacher educators, heads of technician training institutions, and persons responsible for planning technician education in member countries. Capital and technical assistance provided under the Colombo Plan is negotiated bilaterally on government-to-government basis; operating costs for the Council, the Bureau and Staff College are met by contributions from member governments. Drug Advisory Programme is financed primarily by the USA.
Aims	Socio-economic development of member countries through capital aid and technical assistance.
Activities	Conferences of the Consultative Committee; meetings of the Council; training courses; workshops and seminars at the Staff College; dissemination of information by the Bureau; and drug abuse control activities.
Publications	Consultative Committee. Proceedings; Country Issues Papers; Council's Annual Report; Newsletter, monthly; Staff College publications, including quarterly Newsletter, occasional reports on seminars and workshops organised under the auspices of the Bureau's Drug Advisory Programme; and folders and handbooks on the Colombo Plan.

**COMMITTEE FOR CO-ORDINATION OF JOINT
PROSPECTING FOR MINERAL RESOURCES IN
SOUTH PACIFIC OFFSHORE AREAS**
CCOP/SOPAC Technical Secretariat, c/o Mineral Resources
Department, Private Mail Bag, GPO, Suva.
Mead Road, Suva, Fiji
Tel: 381139 Telex: 2330 SOP ACPRO FJ

Chairman	Cruz A Matos
Founded	1972
Organisation	An inter-governmental body established under the sponsorship of the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (Escap). Eleven member countries, Cook Islands, Fiji, Guam, Kiribati, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Western Samoa, are represented on the Committee. It is funded mainly by UNDP, with bilateral support from Australia, New Zealand, France, Japan, USA, USSR and Britain.
Aims	To develop and promote the investigation of the mineral potential of the shelves, platforms and ocean floor in the South Pacific.
Activities	Annual meeting, workshops and symposium, training, scholarships, mineral exploration, publications.
Publications	Occasional papers on South Pacific mineral exploration; <i>Technical Bulletin</i> ; Proceedings of the CCOP/SOPAC Sessions; annual technical reports.

**COMMONWEALTH REGIONAL HEALTH SECRETARIAT
(for East, Central and Southern Africa)**
P O Box 1009, Arusha, Tanzania
Tel: 2961/2

Regional Secretary	Professor A M Nhonoli
Founded	1974
Organisation	The Secretariat serves 11 member countries: Botswana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Seychelles, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe. Their Ministers of Health con-

	stitute the governing body which is assisted by an advisory committee of four countries with rotating membership. Administrative and programme funds are contributed by members on an agreed basis, and the CFTC has contributed to programme activities.
Aims and activities	To foster regional co-operation in health through exchange of experiences, co-operation and co-ordination in training, textbooks and teaching manuals, the exchange of treatment of patients, and the control of infectious diseases. The Regional Health Secretariat also organises the annual conferences of Health Ministers, chief medical officers and advisers.
Publications	Report of the Regional Health Conference for East, Central and Southern African Commonwealth Countries, annual; reports on workshops and seminars.

ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (Ecowas)

**6 King George V Road, PMB 12745, Onikan, Lagos, Nigeria
Telex: 22633 ECOWAS NG**

Secretary-General	Dr Aboubakar Diaby-Ouattara
History	Formed by the Treaty of Lagos in May 1975; the treaty came into force in June 1975.
Organisation	Ecowas is made up of 16 states, of which four—The Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone—are Commonwealth members. The supreme authority is the Heads of State and Government of member countries who meet annually; a council of ministers meets twice a year; the chief executive is elected for a four-year term (renewable for another term). There are specialised commissions to deal with areas of co-operation.
Aims	To promote co-operation and development in economic activity, particularly in the fields for which specialised commissions are appointed; to raise living standards; to increase and maintain economic stability; to improve relations among member countries; and to contribute to the progress and development of Africa.
Activities	The progressive elimination of tariffs and other obstructions to trade within a customs union; progressive elimination of internal taxes and revenue duties for the protection of domestic goods; provision of compensation to member countries for loss of revenue resulting from trade liberalisation; introduction of common policies in agriculture, marketing, research and agriculturally-based industries; economic and industrial affairs; monetary systems; transport and communications; mineral resources; social and cultural affairs, and the operation of a fund for co-operation, compensation and development based in Lomé, Togo.

ORGANISATION OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN STATES

**Castries, St Lucia, West Indies
Tel: 22537-8 Telex: 6248 OECASLC**

Director-General	Dr Vaughan Lewis
Founded	1981
Organisation	An inter-governmental body established by Treaty. Seven member countries: Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St Christopher-Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines. Directed by Heads of Member Governments (the Authority) meeting in regular session twice a year. Funded by member governments. Full-time staff of 50.

Aims	To promote co-operation between member governments, and at regional and international levels, in economic, political, diplomatic, and defence and security areas; to organise functional co-operation for development.
Activities	Meetings of Heads of Government, Foreign Affairs Committee, Economic Affairs Committee, Defence and Security Committee; seminars, workshops and training programmes.
Publications	<i>OECS Trade Digest</i>

SOUTH PACIFIC BOARD FOR EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT

P O Box 2532, Government Buildings, Suva, Fiji

Tel: 383322

Acting Director	Trevor Rees
Founded	1981, through the South Pacific Commission
Organisation	In 1984, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Western Samoa were members; Nauru, Niue, Vanuatu and the University of the South Pacific observers, and Australia, Britain and New Zealand supporters. Fiji was current chairman (rotating chair). Four full-time staff.
Aims	Assistance and training for member countries in the development of national certificates, e.g. Form V School Certificate.
Activities	The Board's consultants and trainers travel to member countries; it holds an annual month-long examiners' training course for officials from member countries.
Publication	Newsletter, bi-monthly

SOUTH PACIFIC BUREAU FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION (Spec)

P O Box 856, Suva, Fiji

Tel: 312600 Telex: 2229

Director	Mahe U Tupouniua
History	Established 1973; absorbed the functions of the Pacific Islands Producers' Association (Pipa) in 1974.
Organisation	Member countries are Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Western Samoa. At its headquarters in Suva the Bureau has an executive staff of nine. Australia and New Zealand each contribute one-third of the annual budget; island members contribute the remaining third in equal shares. The Bureau is governed by the South Pacific Forum, a meeting of Heads of Government of the member countries, and managed by the Spec Committee, an executive board comprising senior officials from all member countries.
Aims	To facilitate co-operation and consultation on trade, economic development, transport, tourism and other related matters.
Activities	Annual meeting of the South Pacific Forum; bi-annual meetings of the Spec Committee; other meetings in connection with the work programme; co-ordinating regional action on trade, trade promotion and marketing, transport, tourism, telecommunications, agriculture and industrialisation; co-ordination on Law of the Sea matters, and also on environment and energy, and operating an aid advisory service.
Publications	Director's Annual Report, Directory of Aid Agencies (1984), <i>Spec Activities</i> (Monthly newsletter), <i>Trade and Industry Scene</i> (monthly), technical reports.

SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION
P O Box D5, Noumea Cedex, New Caledonia

- Secretary-General Francis Bugotu
History Established 1947.
Membership Members of the Commission are American Samoa, Australia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, France, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Islands, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, United Kingdom, United States of America, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna, and Western Samoa.
- Organisation The Commission is financed by assessed contributions from participating governments. It is the executive arm of the South Pacific Conference, held annually, which determines the Commission's work programme and budget and discusses other matters within the Commission's competence.
- Aims To assist social, economic and cultural progress in the South Pacific and providing consultancy and advisory services.
- Activities The SPC's work covers food and raw materials, marine resources, rural management and technology, community services, socio-economic statistical services, education, information services, regional consultation, cultural conservation and exchange, and environmental protection and conservation.

**SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATION
CONFERENCE (Sadcc)**
P O Box 0095, Gaborone, Botswana

- Executive Secretary Simba Makone
Founded 1980
Organisation Member countries are: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
- Aims To promote regional economic co-ordination in the interests of accelerating social and economic development, increasing self-reliance and reducing the region's economic dependence, particularly on South Africa.
- Activities Annual summit of Heads of State and Government; regular meetings of Council of Ministers; annual consultative conference with international co-operating partners; programmes in agricultural research, and animal disease control, (co-ordinated by Botswana), food security (Zimbabwe), manpower development (Swaziland), energy (Angola), transport and communications (Mozambique), industrial development (Tanzania), soil conservation and land utilisation, and tourism (Lesotho) and fisheries, forestry and wildlife (Malawi). Zambia co-ordinates the Southern African Development Fund and the mining programme.

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC
P O Box 1168, Suva, Fiji
Tel: 27131 Telex: FJ 2276

- Vice Chancellor Geoffrey Caston
Founded 1968
Organisation Four schools of study (Agriculture—W. Samoa campus, Education, Natural Resources, Social and Economic Development) and several institutes provide research and consultative services as well as training. In 1984 there were 1479 full-time students and a further

5604 doing post-graduate, part-time, and extension courses. Senior staff number about 240 of which about 24 are administrative. The governing council is made up of representatives of governments, the Inter-University Council, University Senate and others. Funding derives from fees, grants from regional governments, and bilateral and multilateral aid.

- Aims To serve the needs of the eleven countries in the South Pacific by providing trained manpower, research and consultancy services geared to regional needs.
- Activities Teaching, research, consultancy and training.
- Publications Calendar, annually; Annual Report; Information Bulletin, weekly; a full list of publications from the USP and the extension services regional centres is available on request.

WEST AFRICAN HEALTH COMMUNITY
PMB 2023, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria
Tel: 862324

- Executive Director Professor P O Fasan
- Founded 1972
- Organisation The Community serves five member countries: The Gambia, Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria and Sierra Leone. The constitution adopted in October 1978 makes provision for admission of other West African countries. The Assembly of Health Ministers constitutes the governing council supported by an Executive Board, a technical advisory body of chief medical officers, and the council of the West African Postgraduate College. Three specialised agencies have so far been set up by the Community: the West African Postgraduate Medical College comprising the West African College of Physicians and West African College of Surgeons; the West African Pharmaceutical Federation and the West African College of Nursing. There are four chief executive officers in the Secretariat and the Community is funded by contributions from member countries, and assistance from the CFTC.
- Aims To foster co-operation in health in the sub-region.
- Activities Training of health personnel (surgeons, physicians, nurses, pharmacists) by organising training programmes, seminars and workshops and training courses and examinations. Servicing meetings of governing bodies; providing technical assistance and consultancy services to member countries; carrying out research on traditional medicines and herbs, the quality control of drugs and into health legislation of member countries; acting as information exchange.
- Publications Brochure on the Community 1972-75 (Revised 1978); Annual Reports 1972-77 and papers on seminars and workshops; *Care of the Injured*, published by the West African College of Surgeons; selected speeches and addresses to the West African Health Community; *Architects of the West African Health Community*; *West African Community Health Bulletin*, quarterly; technical workshop reports.

National Development Agencies

AUSTRALIAN DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE BUREAU
P O Box 887, Canberra City, ACT 2601, Australia
Tel: Canberra 495733 Telex: 62631

Founded	In 1974 as the Australian Development Assistance Agency to administer Australia's development assistance programme previously handled by several government departments.
Organisation	An independent unit within the Department of Foreign Affairs. A central office in Canberra has prime responsibility for aid planning and programming as well as oversight of individual aid activities; officers in each Australian state undertake placement and supervision of overseas students; the Bureau also maintains an International Training Institute. A small number of aid officers attached to diplomatic missions abroad monitor individual aid programmes. Associated with the Bureau is the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research which is funded by the Australian aid programme.
Functions	The Bureau is responsible for the development of aid policies and programmes; the appraisal, administration and evaluation of aid for developing countries and regional organisations; technical assistance, educational assistance and research; food aid and disaster relief; and for the support to international and regional aid agencies and for the overseas aid activities of non-governmental organisations.
Activities	About 75 per cent of Australia's official development assistance is on a government-to-government basis. The major recipients are its regional neighbours, in the South Pacific and South-East Asia, particularly Papua New Guinea.

THE BRITISH COUNCIL
10 Spring Gardens, London SW1A 2BN, Britain
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Director-General	Sir John Burgh
History	Founded 1934; incorporated by Royal Charter in 1940.
Organisation	The council is governed by a board consisting of up to 30 members, two of whom are nominated by Ministers: there are advisory committees for Scotland and Wales, and for the main branches of the Council's work. Staff operate in Britain and 1,600 overseas (about 300 of the latter London-appointed, the remainder locally engaged). Financed mainly by a grant from the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office.
Aims	To promote an enduring understanding and appreciation of Britain in other countries through cultural, educational and technical co-operation.
Activities	Information and advice on: all branches of education, research and training in science, medicine, technology, engineering, agriculture, social sciences etc.; consultancy and management services on overseas educational projects; administration of: advisory and lecture tours by British specialists abroad, overseas visitors programmes in Britain, exchange schemes, scholarship and training awards for overseas students in Britain; administration of British Council libraries, library development and books presentation programmes; promotion of British books and periodicals; assistance to non-Council libraries; promotion of British drama, music, ballet, opera,

fine arts; and organisation of tours by British companies and exhibitions abroad. The Council has offices in 80 countries, 22 of which are Commonwealth; it also operates in a number of other Commonwealth countries, particularly those in the Caribbean.

In 1981 the Technical Education and Training Organisation for Overseas Countries and the Inter-University Council were incorporated into the British Council, so strengthening its resources in the fields of technical education and training, management development, public administration, higher education and industrial training.

Publications

The Council disseminates information through journals, reference works, books, bibliographies, information packages and general material. Its publications include *British Book News* monthly; *British Medical Bulletin* and *English Language Teaching Documents*, three times a year, *Media in Education and Development* and *English Language Teaching Journal*, quarterly. It also produces publications for and about students, and a number of titles on English literature.

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Cida)

200 Promenade du Portage, Hull, Quebec, Canada

History
Organisation

Established 1968, successor to the External Aid Office. Cida is responsible to the Canadian Parliament through the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Aim

To administer the Canadian Government's programme of assistance to developing countries.

Activities

Administers and operates Canada's official international development assistance programme through bilateral programmes to developing countries; through financial contributions to multilateral organisations such as international financial institutions and United Nations agencies; and by providing flexible forms of assistance to the developing world through Canadian and international non-governmental organisations and through Canadian institutions such as universities and professional associations.

CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CO-OPERATION (CIRC)

P O Box 260, Civic Square, ACT 2608, Australia

Tel: 062-48 4211 Telex: AA 62446

Officer-in-charge

Dr B K Filshie

Founded

1978

Organisation

Established as a unit of the Australian Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO). Eight staff work full-time; others are appointed for special projects. Overseas activities are financed through contracts with Australian Government agencies and others, including overseas governments.

Aims

To co-ordinate the work by CSIRO in development assistance projects in overseas countries.

Activities

Collaborative research in overseas countries; arranging training of overseas research workers; and conducting feasibility studies of proposed projects. Main areas of activity are the Middle East, Pacific islands, South and South East Asia.

Publications

Occasional reports.

**COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION (CDC)**
33 Hill Street, London W1A 3AR, Britain
Tel: 01-629 8484 Telex: 21431

General Manager	Sir Peter Meinertzhagen
History	Established 1948 as the Colonial Development Corporation; adopted current name 1963.
Organisation	The CDC is a British Government public corporation governed by a board appointed by the Minister for Overseas Development. There are about 85 executive staff in London and about 164 overseas. CDC has powers to borrow up to £750 million of which £700 million may be from the British Government.
Aims	To assist the countries in which it operates in the development of their economies by investing funds in development projects which not only increase the wealth of those countries but also yield a reasonable return.
Activities	Investment in projects for the promotion or expansion of economic development enterprises covering basic development (but not social infrastructure), primary production and processing, and industry and commerce. Such projects provide opportunities for on-the-job training but the CDC also maintains the Mananga Agricultural Management Centre, Swaziland, which operates courses for the training of agricultural managers, from many countries; the CDC is active in 48 countries, of which 37 are independent Commonwealth countries, associated states or dependencies.
Publications	Annual Report, <i>Partners in Development</i> ; <i>The history of the Commonwealth Development Corporation 1948-1972</i> , by Sir William Rendell (Heinemann Educational Publications).

**CROWN AGENTS FOR OVERSEAS GOVERNMENTS
AND ADMINISTRATIONS**
4 Millbank, London SW1P 3JD, Britain
Tel: 01-222 7730 Telex: 916205

Managing Director	A C Frood
History	Founded 1833 (Crown Agents for the Colonies); changed to present title in 1954.
Organisation	The governing body is a board of nine Crown Agents; management is by an executive board of five. Financed by a British Government grant and guarantees.
Aims	To help overseas governments and public authorities, in particular those of the Third World.
Activities	Purchasing, inspection and shipment. Engineering services relating to public works, transport, telecommunications, power generation and transmission and field management of construction projects. Investment and money management. Recruitment and management training. Management of International Aid funds and projects. The Crown Agents operate world-wide with almost 100 governments and over 300 public authorities and international bodies. They do not act for the private sector.
Publications	<i>The Crown Agents Review</i> ; <i>The Crown Agents Financial Review</i> ; Bulletin (monthly house magazine).

**INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH
CENTRE (IDRC)
Box 8500, Ottawa, Ontario K1G 3H9, Canada
Tel: 613-236 6163 Telex: 053-3753**

President	Ivan L Head
Founded	1970
Organisation	IDRC is a public corporation administered from headquarters in Ottawa and regional offices in Dakar, Cairo, Singapore, Bogota, Nairobi and New Delhi. Total staff number 428, of which 361 are in Ottawa, and 15 are executive positions appointed by the board of governors. The board comprises 21 members, 11 from Canada and 10 from other countries, including 6 from developing countries.
Aims	To initiate, encourage, support and conduct research into the problems of the developing regions of the world and into the means for applying and adapting scientific, technical and other knowledge to the economic and social advancement of those regions.
Activities	Funding research carried out by scientists in developing countries; funding training as an integral part of research projects; funding scholarships programme for individuals involved in international development both in Canada and other countries; funding collaborative research between Canadian and Third World institutions; and publishing research results and conference proceedings. IDRC operates in 90 countries of Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean.
Publications	<i>IDRC Reports</i> , quarterly magazine published in English, French and Spanish; Annual Report to Parliament; and Annual Review and over 110 monographs related to research projects, as well as technical studies and bibliographies.

**OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION,
BRITAIN**

**Eland House, Stag Place, London SW1E 5DH
Tel: 01-213 3000
Abercrombie House, Eaglesham Road,
East Kilbride, Glasgow G75 5EA, Scotland
Tel: East Kilbride 41199**

Aims	To formulate and manage the British Government's aid programme, including the allocation of resources to multilateral aid agencies, individual country programmes and to the Commonwealth Development Corporation, and the division of resources between financial aid and technical co-operation.
Activities	Specialised services are provided by scientific units, the Tropical Development and Research Institute and Land Resources Development Centre. The ODA finances a number of technical, scientific and educational organisations whose services, research and advice are available under technical co-operation arrangements to developing countries. It makes financial provision for a large part of the work of the British Council, the Commonwealth Forestry Institute, the British Volunteer Programme, and many other organisations.

NEW ZEALAND EXTERNAL AID DIVISION
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Private Bag, Wellington, New Zealand
Tel: 728-877 Telex: External 3441

Director	R M Miller
History	Evolved out of smaller units set up to implement official development assistance inspired by the Colombo Plan (1950) of which New Zealand was a founding member.
Organisation	Responsible to Cabinet; full-time staff of 49. Each year the New Zealand Government allocates funds for official development assistance.
Aims	To promote economic and social development in recipient countries by expanding their capabilities to raise living standards.
Activities	Manages New Zealand's official development assistance programme, including bilateral and multilateral assistance, according to policies determined by the Government. Bilateral aid is concentrated on the island countries of the South Pacific and member countries of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean).
Publications	<i>Development</i> (Quarterly), Project Profiles (annually), <i>New Zealand Development Assistance</i> (annual pamphlet), <i>Review of the New Zealand Aid Programme</i> (annual report).