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The Commonwealth Governments have accepted the invitation of the Government of Jamaica to hold the 1965 Meeting of the Commonwealth Economic Consultative Council (comprised of Finance Ministers) in Kingston, Jamaica, on Wednesday, September 22 and Thursday, September 23.

As is customary, the meeting is being arranged to take place immediately before the annual meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, which will be held this year in Washington, D.C.

The Government of Jamaica has invited delegates to come to Jamaica two or three days before the start of the meeting in order to see something of the country. Tours are being arranged for Monday, September 20 and Tuesday, September 21. These will include visits to the University of the West Indies at Mona, Kingston's industrial estate, agricultural development projects and bauxite mining and processing works in the country. In addition, a visit to tourist resort areas on the north coast of the island is being planned for Friday, September 24.

It is expected that, as at previous meetings, the talks will cover world economic trends (including balance of payments prospects for the sterling area) and matters likely to arise at the ensuing meetings in Washington, D.C. of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.