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Canadian athletes arrive in Scotland for the Commonwealth Games in 1970. The next games will be held in Edmonton in 1978.

A good sport: the Commonwealth

In the realm of sport, the quadrennial Commonwealth Games and the associated Paraplegic Games provide an opportunity for young athletes from throughout the Commonwealth to meet in friendly competition. The eleventh Commonwealth Games will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, from August 3 to 12, 1978, and will involve more than 50 teams from member countries, associated states and dependencies. In sports as in politics, the Commonwealth countries have no super-power. In both realms, its basic principle is the equality and mutual understanding of all its members. The Games have previously been held in Canada, in Hamilton and Vancouver.

Canada believes increased attention should, in the future, be paid to the unofficial Commonwealth as a means of creating those crucial human bonds between the peoples of member countries upon which the association's vitality depends. The modern Commonwealth has already established its importance and utility in the minds of the governments of its member countries. It is now time for the Commonwealth to make itself better known to its people.