

THE COMMONWEALTH

There are now 39 members of the Commonwealth: Australia (1901)*, Bahamas (1973), Bangladesh (1972), Barbados (1966), Botswana (1966), Canada (1867), Cyprus (1961), Dominica, Fiji (1970), Gambia (1965), Ghana (1957), Grenada (1974), Guyana (1966), India (1947), Jamaica (1962), Kenya (1963), Lesotho (1966), Malawi (1964), Malaysia (1957), Malta (1964), Mauritius (1968), Nauru (1968)**, New Zealand (1907), Nigeria (1960), Papua-New Guinea (1975), Seychelles (1976), Sierra Leone (1961), Singapore (1965), Solomon Islands (1978), Sri Lanka (1948), Swaziland (1968), Tanzania (1961), Tonga (1970), Trinidad and Tobago (1962), Tuvalu (1978), Uganda (1962), United Kingdom, Western Samoa (1970), Zambia (1964).

* Date of membership

** Nauru is a special member, with the right to participate in all functional Commonwealth meetings and activities but not the right to attend meetings of Commonwealth Heads of Government.

GROUP OF 77

The membership of the Group of 77 has grown to 117 from the original 77 members that signed the Joint Declaration of Developing Countries at the conclusion of the First United Nations Conference on Trade and Development held in Geneva in 1964. Tunisia is Chairman of the group for the period October 1978 to October 1979. The members of the Group of 77 follow:

49 African Members: Algeria*, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burundi*, Cameroon*, Cape Verde, Central African Empire*, Chad*, Comoros, Congo*, Djibouti, Egypt*, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia*, Gabon*, Gambia, Ghana*, Guinea*, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya*, Lesotho, Liberia*, Libya*, Madagascar*, Malawi, Mali*, Mauritania*, Mauritius, Morocco*, Mozambique, Niger*, Nigeria*, Rwanda*, Sao Tomé and Principe, Senegal*, Seychelles, Sierra Leone*, Somalia*, Sudan*, Swaziland, Tanzania*, Togo*, Tunisia*, Uganda*, Upper Volta*, Zaire*, Zambia; 37 Asian Members: Afghanistan*, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma*, Democratic Kampuchea, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Yemen, Fiji, India*, Indonesia*, Iran*, Iraq*, Jordan*, Kuwait*, Laos*, Lebanon*, Malaysia*, Maldives, Nepal*, Oman, Pakistan*, Palestine Liberation Organization, Papua New Guinea, Philippines*, Qatar, Republic of Korea*, Saudi Arabia*, Singapore, Viet Nam*, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka*, Syria*, Thailand*, United Arab Emirates, Yemen*; 27 Latin American and Caribbean Members: Argentina*, Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia*, Brazil*, Chile*, Colombia*, Costa Rica*, Cuba, Dominican Republic*, Ecuador*, El Salvador*, Grenada, Guatemala*, Guyana, Haiti*, Honduras*, Jamaica*, Mexico*, Nicaragua*, Panama*, Paraguay*, Peru*, Surinam, Trinidad and Tobago*, Uruguay*, Venezuela*; 2 Western European & Others: Cyprus*, Malta; 2 Eastern European: Romania, Yugoslavia*.

* Original Members