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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, announced today that the Right Honourable Vincent Massey, P. C., C. H., will be the President of the Third Commonwealth Education Conference, which is to be held in Ottawa from August 21 to September 4, 1964, on the invitation of the Canadian Government.

This Conference is the third in a series of conferences which have been convened primarily for the purpose of discussing governmental programmes of educational co-operation within the Commonwealth, not education in the Commonwealth as such. At the first conference held in Oxford in 1959, four types of co-operation were recommended - a Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan, the training of teachers, the supply of teachers for service in other Commonwealth countries and technical education. Developments in these schemes were reviewed and new areas of co-operation examined at a second conference held in New Delhi in January, 1962.

Delegates to the Ottawa Conference will study progress that has been made since the New Delhi Conference in present areas of co-operation, including the provision of textbooks, rural education and the holding of conferences of experts. Among new topics which will be discussed are the use of mass media in education,