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## Commonwealth Education Conference

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, issued the following statement today:

"The Commonwealth Education Liaison Committee announced in London today that at the invitation of the Government of India the Second Commonwealth Education Conference will be held in Delhi from Thursday, January 11, to Thursday, January 25, 1962. The purpose of the Conference will be to review progress on the activities sponsored by the Commonwealth Education Conference at Oxford and to make further plans in the light of the experience gained so far; and to consider in what other manner the arrangements for co-operation between the countries of the Commonwealth could be improved."

## Note for Editors

The first Commonwealth Education Conference was held at Oxford, England, in July, 1959, following an initiative taken at the Conference of Commonwealth Finance Ministers held in Montreal, Canada, in September 1958. The Oxford Conference recommended that, to sustain the momentum of the new drive in co-operation which it believed it had initiated, another Commonwealth Education Conference should be convened after an appropriate interval to take stock of the progress made in the intervening period and to make further plans for the future.

The Commonwealth Education Liaison Committee is the body established in accordance with recommendations of the first Commonwealth Conference to enable governments to consider together the development of the schemes of educational assistance which the Conference had agreed upon. It comprises one representative of each Commonwealth government together with one member representing United Kingdom colonial territories and co-opted members under Sir Philip Morris (Vice-Chancellor of Bristol University) as independent Chairman.

The Commonwealth Education Liaison Committee and the governments concerned have under consideration the content of the agenda for the Second Commonwealth Education Conference and the level at which it should be held.