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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today the establishment of a Planning Committee to advise and assist the Government in the preparations for the Third Commonwealth Education Conference which is to be held in Canada at the end of August, 1964. The Committee is broadly representative of provincial educational authorities, the university community, professional associations and other organizations concerned with the Commonwealth education programme. The members of the Committee are:

- Dr. G.C. Andrew, Executive Director, Canadian Universities Foundation, Ottawa;
- Mr. B. Scott Bateman, Deputy Minister of Education for Manitoba, Winnipeg;
- Dr. Claude Bissell, President of the Canadian Universities Foundation, President of the University of Toronto;
- Dr. G.F. Curtis, Dean of Law, University of British Columbia, Vancouver;
- Dr. G.E. Flower, Director of Graduate Studies, Ontario College of Education, Toronto;
- Msgr. Jacques Garneau, Associate Director, Canadian Universities Foundation, Ottawa, formerly, Secretary-General, Laval University, Quebec;
- Dr. H. Gaudfroy, Director, Ecole Polytechnique, University of Montreal;
- Dr. Marion E. Grant, Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia;
- Rev. H.F. Légaré, Rector of the University of Ottawa, Ottawa;
- Dr. C.J. Mackenzie, Chancellor of Carleton University, Ottawa;
- Mr. Gerald Nason, Secretary-Treasurer, Canadian Teachers' Federation, Ottawa;
- Mr. Joseph L. Pagé, Deputy Minister, Quebec Ministry of Youth, Quebec;

Dr. F.S. Rivers, Chief Director of Education for Ontario,
Toronto;

Dr. Freeman K. Stewart, Executive Secretary, Canadian
Education Association, Toronto;

In preparing for the 1964 Conference, the Canadian Planning Committee will work in close association with the Commonwealth Education Liaison Committee (CELC) and the Commonwealth Education Liaison Unit (CELU) in London. The present Director of the Unit is Dr. V.S. Jha of India. When his term ends on May 31, 1963, he will be succeeded by Dr. Freeman Kenneth Stewart, Executive Secretary of the Canadian Education Association in Toronto. Generally speaking, the CELC will be responsible for initiating action on substantive matters in relation to the Conference, including the preparation of the agenda, while the Canadian Planning Committee will be primarily responsible for the administrative and domestic arrangements for the Conference. In addition, the Canadian Planning Committee will act in an advisory capacity on substantive matters with respect to Canadian participation in the Conference.

At its inaugural meeting, convened in Ottawa on February 7, the Planning Committee was fortunate in having Dr. Jha present to give an account of the CELC's experience and plans. Dr. Jha, who came to Canada especially for this meeting, at the invitation of the Canadian Government, was the Secretary-General of the Second Commonwealth Education Conference which was held in New Delhi in January, 1962.