

Message to the Head of the Commonwealth

Message to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Head of the Commonwealth, from Air Commodore the Hon. T. F. Gill, Minister of Health, New Zealand, Chairman of the Fifth Commonwealth Medical Conference:

“Your Majesty,

It is my privilege on the occasion of the Fifth Commonwealth Medical Conference, now in session in Wellington, New Zealand, to convey the sincere greetings of delegates to Your Majesty as Head of the Commonwealth.

It is a particular pleasure to be able to send these greetings in Your Majesty’s Jubilee Year, and on the day on which news has been received here of the birth of your first grandchild.

On this occasion the conference theme is Community Health, and Commonwealth representatives gathered here are considering new approaches to making health services available to the large numbers of their peoples who are still inadequately provided for.

We are confident that, as at our past Conferences, we shall be able to reach agreement on a range of practical measures designed to improve the condition of life of our peoples and that the spirit of co-operation and mutual help which already links us together as members of the Commonwealth will be further strengthened.”

Her Majesty’s Reply

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“Please convey my sincere thanks to the delegates of the Fifth Commonwealth Medical Conference in Wellington for their kind message of greeting. As Head of the Commonwealth I received this message with much pleasure and send my best wishes for the success of the Conference.

Elizabeth R.”