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Sark Joins Commonwealth Parliamentary Association During 68th CPC in Barbados

Sark, Channel Islands – The Chief Pleas of Sark is delighted to announce its formal admission as a new Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), a decision taken during the 2025 CPA General Assembly, held as part of the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Barbados.

At the conference - hosted by the Parliament of Barbados and the CPA Barbados Branch in Bridgetown from 5th to 12th October 2025 - CPA delegates approved the motion for Sark to become part of the CPA structure. The incorporation of Sark expands the CPA network and integrates one of the world's smallest legislatures into the Commonwealth parliamentary community.

The CPA announcement stated:

‘The 2025 CPA General Assembly also approved the Chief Pleas of Sark as a new CPA Branch. One of the smallest Legislatures in the Commonwealth, the CPA Sark Branch joins the CPA British Islands and Mediterranean Region (BIMR) and the CPA Small Branches network.’

Significance of the admission:

- Sark becomes a recognized CPA Branch, enabling its legislature to participate in CPA initiatives, training, and knowledge exchange across the Commonwealth.
- Sark will join the CPA British Islands and Mediterranean Region (BIM) as well as the CPA Small Branches network, aligning with legislatures that face similar scale and governance challenges.
- Admission at the 68th CPC positions Sark among the global community of legislatures gathered under the theme of ‘The Commonwealth – A Global Partner.’

Speaker’s Statement

Paul Armorgie, Speaker of the Chief Pleas, remarked:

“We are honoured to have our status confirmed at this year’s CPA General Assembly in Barbados. Sark’s inclusion among the Commonwealth’s parliamentary bodies strengthens our ability to engage in shared learning, heightens our voice on the international stage and affirms our commitment to democratic good practice.”

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