

INDIA-IN-LONDON CELEBRATES REPUBLIC DAY

At London's India House, High Commissioner Krishna Menon swears allegiance to the newly-born Republic of India.

Across 6,000 miles, a nation joins in celebration of an historic act: the setting up of the Sovereign Republic of India within the framework of the Commonwealth of Nations. Below the portraits of Mahatma Gandhi - India's founder - and Pandit Nehru - India's man of destiny, mingle the leaders who have come to wish the new state well. The days of controversy between India and Britain have gone forever. Side by side, as equals, they face the challenge of the future, free partners in a great Commonwealth.