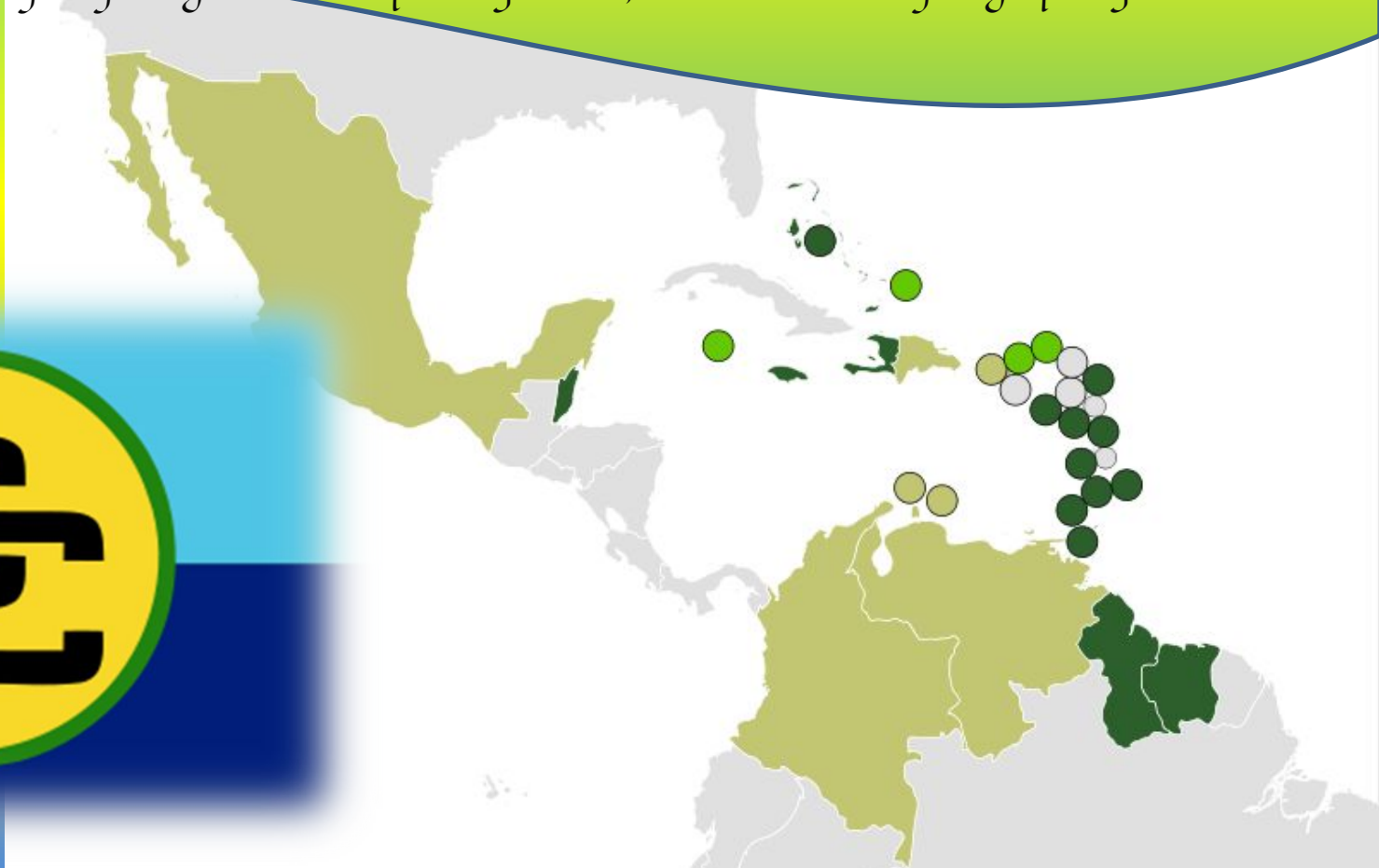




The Caribbean Community (CARICOM)

THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (CARICOM) *is an organisation of 15 Caribbean nations and dependencies.*

CARICOM's main purposes are to promote economic integration and cooperation among its members, to ensure that the benefits of integration are equitably shared, and to coordinate foreign policy.



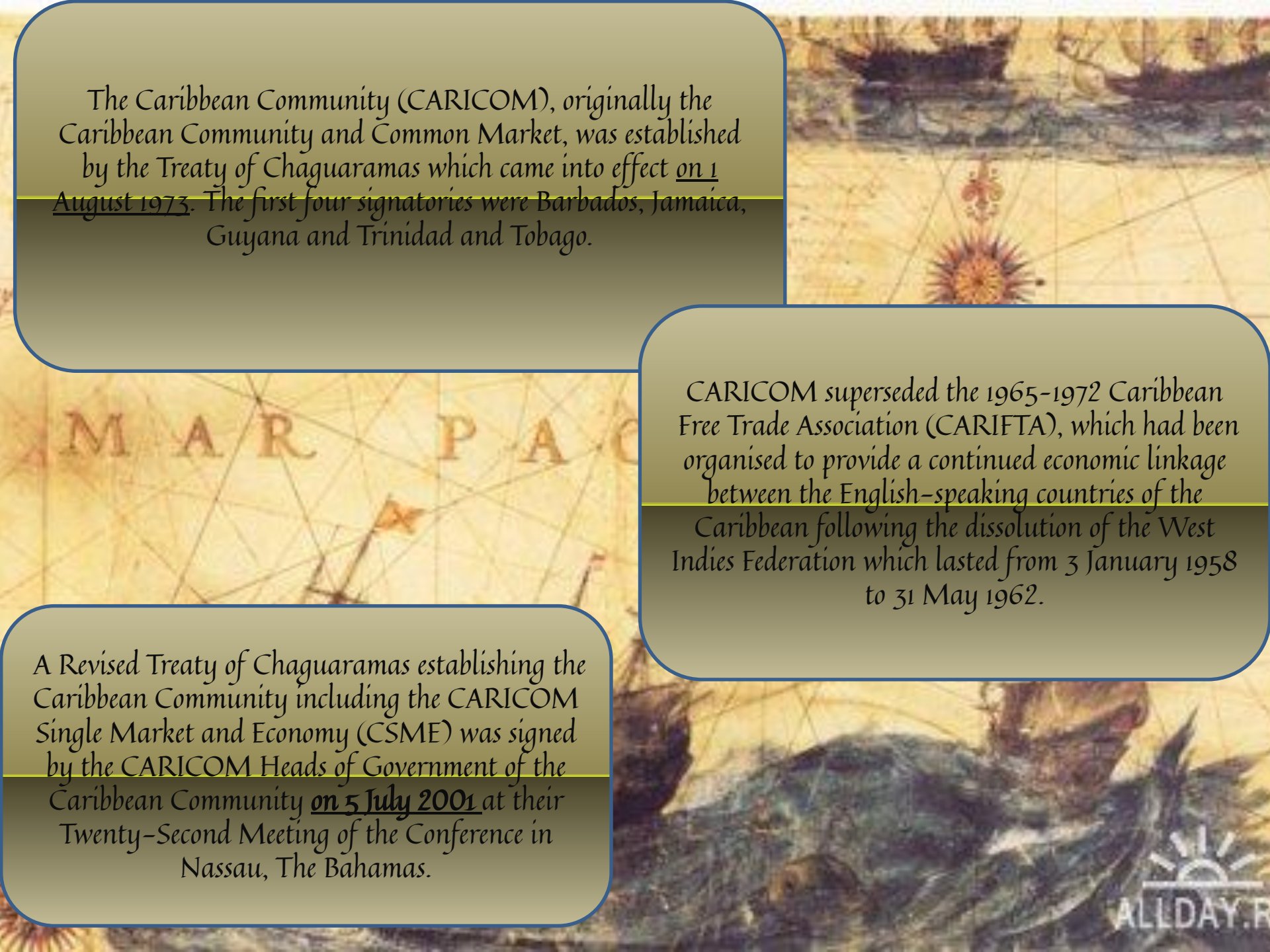


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The Caribbean Community (CARICOM), originally the Caribbean Community and Common Market, was established by the Treaty of Chaguaramas which came into effect on 1 August 1973. The first four signatories were Barbados, Jamaica, Guyana and Trinidad and Tobago.

CARICOM superseded the 1965-1972 Caribbean Free Trade Association (CARIFTA), which had been organised to provide a continued economic linkage between the English-speaking countries of the Caribbean following the dissolution of the West Indies Federation which lasted from 3 January 1958 to 31 May 1962.



























A Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas establishing the Caribbean Community including the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME) was signed by the CARICOM Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community on 5 July 2001 at their Twenty-Second Meeting of the Conference in Nassau, The Bahamas.

Membershi

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CURRENTLY CARICOM HAS 15 FULL MEMBERS, 5
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND 7 OBSERVERS.

CARICOM Members

| Status | Name | Join date | Notes |
|-------------|---|---------------|---|
| Full member |  Antigua and Barbuda | 4 July 1974 | |
| |  Bahamas | 4 July 1983 | Not part of customs union |
| |  Barbados | 1 August 1973 | |
| |  Belize | 1 May 1974 | |
| |  Dominica | 1 May 1974 | |
| |  Grenada | 1 May 1974 | |
| |  Guyana | 1 August 1973 | |
| |  Haiti | 2 July 2002 | Provisional membership on 4 July 1998 |
| |  Jamaica | 1 August 1973 | |
| |  Montserrat | 1 May 1974 | British overseas territory |
| |  Saint Kitts and Nevis | 26 July 1974 | Joined as Saint Christopher-Nevis-Anguilla |
| |  Saint Lucia | 1 May 1974 | |
| |  Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | 1 May 1974 | |
| |  Suriname | 4 July 1995 | |
| |  Trinidad and Tobago | 1 August 1973 | |
| Associate |  Anguilla | July 1999 | British overseas territory |
| |  Bermuda | 2 July 2003 | British overseas territory |
| |  British Virgin Islands | July 1991 | British overseas territory |
| |  Cayman Islands | 16 May 2002 | British overseas territory |
| |  Turks and Caicos Islands | July 1991 | British overseas territory |
| Observer |  Aruba | | Country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands |
| |  Colombia | | |
| |  Curaçao | | Country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands status unknown after dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles |
| |  Dominican Republic | | |
| |  Mexico | | |
| |  Puerto Rico | | Commonwealth of the USA |
| |  Sint Maarten | | Country of the Kingdom of the Netherlands status unknown after dissolution of the Netherlands Antilles |

ORGANISATION AL STRUCTURE

A tropical beach scene at sunset. The sky is filled with orange and yellow clouds, with the sun low on the horizon. Several palm trees are silhouetted against the bright sky. The foreground shows a sandy beach with some rocks and the ocean waves.

Secretariat

Secretariat of the Caribbean Community, The term of office of the Secretary-General is 5 years, which may be renewed. (Chief Administrative Organ) Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community, the CARICOM Secretary General (Chief Executive) handles Foreign and Community Relations.

Deputy Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community, handles Human and Social Development.

General Counsel of the Caribbean Community, handles Trade and Economic Integration.

The goal statement of the CARICOM

Secretariat is:

To provide dynamic leadership and service, in partnership with Community institutions and Groups, toward the attainment of a viable, internationally competitive and sustainable Community, with improved quality of life for all.



Future proposals

- Airline amalgamation
- Civil Society Charter
- Currency Union
- Freedom of Movement
- Political Union(s)
- Regionalised Stock Exchange
- Reintroduction of a Single Tourist Visa
- Reintroduction of a Single Domestic Space