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SOME RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

(With Particular Reference to the United Nations

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## APPENDIX M

### INDEPENDENT OR SEMI-INDEPENDENT STATES

**ESTABLISHED SINCE WORLD WAR II**


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*Explanation of symbols:
   
   UN—Member of United Nations
   
   D—Has diplomatic representation of the United States of America
   
   C—Has consular representation of the United States of America

**The “French Community” was established under the French Constitution of 1958.**

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Cyprus (Asia) UN, D
  Provisional government, 1959
  Independent Republic, 1960

Dahomey (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960

Eritrea (Africa) C
  Locally autonomous unit within the federation of Ethiopia and
  Eritrea, under Ethiopian sovereignty, 1952

Gabon (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960

Ghana (Africa) UN, D
  Independent state in the British Commonwealth of Nations, 1957

Guinea (Africa) UN, D
  Independent Republic, 1958

India (Asia) UN, D
  Sovereign democratic republic, a member of the British Commonwealth
  of Nations, 1950

Indonesia (Asia) UN, D
  Sovereign independent republic, 1949

Israel (Asia) UN, D
  Independent sovereign republic, 1948

Ivory Coast (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960

Jordan (Hashemite Kingdom of, formerly Transjordan) (Asia) UN, D
  Sovereign independent state, 1946

Korea (People's Republic of) (Asia)
  Republic proclaimed by "Provisional Government," 1948; not
  recognized by the United States of America

Korea (Republic of) (Asia) D
  Independent sovereign republic, 1948

Laos (Asia) UN, D
  Independent state within the French Union, 1947
  Independent sovereign state within the French Union, 1949
  Independent sovereign state, 1954

Libya (Africa) UN, D
  Independent sovereign federal kingdom, 1951

Malaya (Federation of) (Asia) UN, D
  Sovereign member-state in the British Commonwealth of Nations,
  1957
Malagasy Republic (formerly Madagascar) (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960
Mauritania (Islamic Republic of) (Africa) D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960
Morocco (Africa) UN, D
  Independent monarchy, 1956
  International status of Tangier Zone abolished, 1956
Niger (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic in the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960
Nigeria (Federation of) (Africa) UN, D
  Self-governing Federation in the British Commonwealth of Nations, 1954
  Independent Federation, 1960
Pakistan (Asia) UN, D
  Dominion in the British Commonwealth of Nations, 1947
  Islamic Republic, 1956
Philippines (Asia) UN, D
  Independence, 1946
Rhodesia and Nyasaland (Federation of) (Africa) C
  Largely self-governing, in the British Commonwealth of Nations, 1953
Sierra Leone (Africa) D
  Independent Republic, 1961
Senegal (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
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Singapore (Asia) C
  Self-governing colony in the British Commonwealth of Nations, 1959
Somali (Africa) UN, D
  Italian trusteeship of Somaliland, 1950 Independent Republic, 1960
Sudan (Republic of the) (Africa) UN, D
  Sovereign independent republic, 1956
Togo (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic in the French Community (under Trusteeship), 1956
  Independent Republic, 1960
Tunisia (Africa) UN, D
  Sovereign independent monarchy, 1956
  Sovereign independent republic, 1957
United Arab Republic (Africa and Asia) UN, D
  Formed of Egypt and Syria, 1958

Upper Volta (Africa) UN, D
  Autonomous republic within the French Community, 1958
  Independent Republic, 1960

Viet-nam (Democratic Republic of) (Asia)
  Formed by Vietminh, 1946; not recognized by the United States
  of America

Viet-nam (Republic of) (Asia) D
  Independent within the French Union, 1949
  Independence, 1954

The West Indies (Caribbean area) C
  The West Indies, Federation in the British Commonwealth of
  nations, 1958