

Acting High Commissioner welcomes The Queen's Commonwealth Canopy Project



His Excellency, the Acting High Commissioner is pictured with Mr Michael Lake (left) and Mr Nathan McKenzie (right).

The Acting High Commissioner, His Excellency Mr Adah Simon Ogah was paid a courtesy call on 11 August, 2016, by the Director of the Royal Commonwealth Society, Mr Michael Lake, CBE accompanied by the Society's Public Affairs Officer, Mr Nathan McKenzie to apprise His Excellency of The Queen's Commonwealth Canopy and to request Nigeria's participation in the project.

The Queen's Commonwealth Canopy (QCC) launched at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Malta, in 2015, is a project designed to create a network of forest conservation initiatives throughout the 53 nations of the Commonwealth to mark Her Majesty the Queen's service and dedication as Head of the Commonwealth. Mr Lake stressed that "participation is free and comes without regulatory obligations for accredited projects", adding that a major advantage of the QCC is its "utilisation of existing forestry resources and projects throughout the Commonwealth".

In response, His Excellency said: "This is a worthy project which will confront the problem of desertification ... The Mission will ensure that the Federal Government is made aware of the project.