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CCL Launches Centenary Year with House of Lords Celebration

The Commonwealth Countries League (CCL) officially kicked off its Centenary Year (1925–2025) with an inspiring Afternoon Tea at the House of Lords on 22 May, hosted by The Rt. Hon. Lord David Hunt of Wirral.

The event welcomed high-profile guests including the Commonwealth Secretary-General, Rt. Hon. Shirley Ayorkor Botchwey, and dignitaries from across 56 nations. In her keynote speech, the Secretary-General praised CCL's commitment to girls' education and gender equality, calling it "a foundation for a more equitable and prosperous society."

With music by saxophonist Paula Juden and charming hosting by Dale Eaton, the event blended tribute and celebration. CCL President Duchess Williams-Alonga reaffirmed the League's mission: "This centenary celebrates our past and energizes our commitment to empowering girls for a better future."

The event also saw the launch of the new CCL Centenary website:

 www.commonwealthcountriesleague.org

