

CHAPTER 1
SECTION 1

RIGHT OF ABODE

LISTS OF FORMER BRITISH DEPENDENCIES: AND
EXISTING BRITISH OVERSEAS TERRITORIES1. FORMER BRITISH DEPENDENCIES WHICH HAVE GAINED INDEPENDENCE
SINCE 1 JANUARY 1949

ORIGINAL NAME	STATUS	CURRENT NAME	DATE OF INDEPENDENCE
* Abu Dhabi	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
* Aden	Colony	People's Democratic Republic of Southern Yemen	30.11.67
Antigua and Barbuda	Associated State	Antigua and Barbuda	1.11.81
* Ajman	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Ashanti	Colony	Ghana	6.3.57
Bahamas	Colony	Bahamas	10.7.73
* Bahrain	Protected State	Bahrain	15.8.71
Barbados	Colony	Barbados	30.11.66
Basutoland	Colony	Lesotho	4.10.66
Bechuanaland	Protectorate	Botswana	30.9.66
British Honduras	Colony	Belize	21.9.81
British Guiana	Colony	Guyana	26.5.66
* Brunei	Protected State	Brunei	1.1.75
Cameroons (Northern)	Trust Territory	Nigeria	1.6.61
Cameroons (Southern)	Trust Territory	Cameroon	1.10.61

Cacos Islands	Colony	Cocos (Keeling) Islands (Australian External Territory)	23.11.55
Cyprus	Colony	Cyprus	16. 8.60
Dominica	Associated State	Dominica	3.11.78
* Dubai	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Ellice Islands	Colony	Tuvalu	1.10.68
0 Fiji	Colony	Fiji	10.70
* Fujairah	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Gambia	Colony	The Gambia	8. 2.65
Gambia	Protectorate	The Gambia	10. 2.65
Gilbert Islands	Colony	Kiribati	12. 7.79
Gold Coast	Colony	Ghana	6. 3.57
Gold Coast	Protectorate	Ghana	6. 3.57
Grenada	Associated State	Grenada	7. 2.74
*=Hong Kong	Colony	Hong Kong SAR	1. 7.97
Jamaica	Colony	Jamaica	6. 8.62
Johore	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
* Khamran (later merged with Sharjah)	Protectorate	People's Democratic Republic of Southern Yemen	30.11.67
Kedah	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Kelantan	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Kenya	Colony	Kenya	12.12.63
Kenya	Protectorate	Kenya	12.12.63
* Kuwait	Protected State	Kuwait	1. 7.61
Malacca	Colony	Malaysia	31. 8.57

Malay States	Protected States	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Malaya (Federation of)	Nine Protected States and two Colonies	Malaysia	31. 8.57
# Maldive Islands	Protected State	Maldive Islands	27. 7.65
Malta	Colony	Malta	21. 9.57
Mauritius	Colony	Mauritius	12. 3.68
Mombasa Strip (East Africa)	Protectorate	Kenya	12. 3.63
< Nauru	Trust Territory	Nauru	31. 1.68
Negri Sembilan	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
New Hebrides	Anglo French Condominium	Vanuatu	30. 7.80
Nigeria	Colony	Nigeria	1.10.60
Nigeria	Protectorate	Nigeria	1.10.60
North Borneo	Colony	Malaysia	16. 9.63
Northern Rhodesia	Protectorate	Zambia	24.10.64
Nyasaland	Protectorate	Malawi	6. 7.64
Oil Island	Colony	Mauritius	12. 3.68
* Omman (Trucial States)	Protected States	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Pahang	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Penang (including Penang and Wellesley)	Colony	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Perak	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Perim	Colony	People's Democratic Republic of Southern Yemen	30.11.67
Perlis	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57

* Qatar	Protected State	Qatar Emirates	3. 9.71
* Ras al Khaimah	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Rodrigues Island	Colony	Mauritius	12. 3.68
Sabah	Colony	Malaysia	16. 9.63
Sarawak	Colony	Malaysia	16. 9.63
Selangor	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.5
Seychelles	Colony	Seychelles	1. 6.76
* Sharjah	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Sierra Leone	Colony	Sierra Leone	1. 4.61
Sierra Leone	Protectorate	Sierra Leone	27. 1.61
Singapore	Colony	Singapore	3. 6.59
Solomon Islands	Protectorate	Solomon Islands	7. 7.78
* Somaliland (British)	Protectorate	Somaliland Republic	26. 6.60
South Arabia	Protectorate	People's Democratic Republic of Southern Yemen	30.11.67
Southern Rhodesia	Dominion	Zimbabwe	18. 4.80
South-West Africa	Trust Territory	Namibia	25. 8.90
St Christopher Nevis	Dependent Territory	St Christopher & Nevis	19. 9.83
St Lucia	Associated State	St Lucia	22. 2.79
St Vincent	Associated State	St Vincent and the Grenadines	27.10.79
Swaziland	Protected State	Swaziland	6. 9.68
Tanganyika	Trust Territory	Tanzania	9.12.61
Togoland	Trust	Ghana	6. 3.57

(British)	Territory		
Tonga	Protected State	Tonga	4. 6.70
Trengganu	Protected State	Malaysia	31. 8.57
Trinidad and Tobago	Colony	Trinidad Tobago	31. 8.62
* Trucial Sheikdoms of Oman	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
* Trucial States	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
Uganda	Protectorate	Uganda	9.10.62
* Umm al Qaiwain	Protected State	United Arab Emirates	2.12.71
+ Western Samoa	Trust Territory	Western Samoa	1. 1.62
+ Zanzibar	Protectorate	Tanzania	10.12.63

KEY

- * Countries which were Commonwealth countries
- + A Commonwealth country only since 1 January 1984
- 0 Left the Commonwealth on 15 October 1987 but remains in Schedule 3 to the British Nationality Act 1981 (i.e., it is still a Commonwealth country for nationality purposes)
- # A Commonwealth country only since 11 March 1985
- < A Commonwealth country only since 31 January 1980
- = Became a Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

2. EXISTING BRITISH OVERSEAS TERRITORIES

- Anguilla
- Bermuda
- British Antarctic Territory
- British Indian Ocean Territory

Cayman Islands

Falkland Islands

Gibraltar

Montserrat

Pitcairn, Henderson, Ducie and Oeno Islands

St. Helena and Dependencies

South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands *

The Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia (that is to say the areas mentioned in section 2(1) of the Cyprus Act 1960)

Turks and Caicos Islands

Virgin Islands

* South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands were not British overseas territories during the period from 3 October 1985 until 3 September 2001