

# Our history

## Kenya High Commission, Kingston

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### HISTORY OF THE MISSION

Kenya established its diplomatic presence in the Caribbean on 16th September 2016 with the opening of its Mission in Havana, Cuba. This marked an important step in strengthening Kenya's engagement with the Caribbean region and provided a platform for advancing relations with Cuba, Jamaica and other countries of accreditation in the region.

Over the years, Kenya's engagement with the Caribbean continued to expand, encompassing political and diplomatic cooperation, trade and investment, tourism, education, health, culture, sports and people-to-people relations. The Mission also served as an important platform for advancing Kenya's engagement with the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and promoting closer ties between Africa and the Caribbean.

As Kenya's relations and interests in the Caribbean continued to grow, the Government of Kenya further strengthened its diplomatic presence in the region through the establishment of a resident High Commission in Kingston, Jamaica, which commenced operations on 13th July 2026.

The establishment of the High Commission in Kingston represents an important new chapter in Kenya's engagement with the Caribbean. The location provides an enhanced platform for deepening bilateral relations with Jamaica, strengthening engagement with CARICOM and expanding Kenya's diplomatic, economic and people-to-people ties across the region.

Today, the Kenya High Commission in Kingston continues to advance Kenya's interests and partnerships in the Caribbean, with a focus on strengthening bonds between Kenya, Jamaica, CARICOM and the wider Caribbean community.