

Commonwealth Youth Program

Inaugurated in 1973 at the Ottawa Heads of Government Meeting, the Commonwealth Youth Program is aimed at encouraging and facilitating the exchange of ideas and experiences between people involved in youth programs at all levels. Voluntary contributions are made by all Commonwealth countries. Having contributed approximately \$3 million to date, Canada has been the major contributor to this program, contributing approximately \$600,000 in 1982/83 (External Affairs funds).

Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan

Awards are granted on a voluntary basis by 15 Commonwealth countries. For the fiscal year 1982/83 Canada contributed approximately \$3.6 million (approximately 300 scholarships). The program in Canada is administered on behalf of the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (External Affairs funds).

Commonwealth Zimbabwe Scholarship Program

Contributions to this program are voluntary. For the year 1982/83, Canada contributed \$200,000. Now that Zimbabwe has become independent, the program will gradually be diminished over the years, but scholarships which have already been awarded will continue to be funded (Canadian International Development Agency funds).

Commonwealth Science Council

The Council's aim is to promote collaboration between member countries to increase the capabilities of individual nations to use science and technology for their economic, social and environmental development. Contributions are voluntary. Canada's contribution for 1982/83 was \$102,300 (External Affairs funds).