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DEPÁRTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFÁIRS OTTAWA - CANADA

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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TODAY ANNOUNCED DETAILS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR 1959-60.

THE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME, AS IN FORMER YEARS, IS INTENDED TO PROMOTE STUDY AND RESEARCH LEADING TO PUBLICATION ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE COMMON INTERESTS, TRADITIONS, AND OUTLOOK OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE IN ORDER TO THROW LIGHT ON THE HISTORY, PRESENT STATUS, AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CONCEPT OF THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY, AND OF THE PROBLEMS WITH WHICH IT IS CONFRONTED. ONE OF THE AIMS OF THE PROGRAMME IS THE STRENGTHENING OF THE TRANS-ATLANTIC TIES OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC ALLIANCE.

THE FELLOWSHIPS WILL BE GRANTED FOR PERIODS OF FROM TWO TO FOUR MONTHS TO SCHOLARS WITH ESTABLISHED REPUTATIONS WHO WILL BE SELECTED ON THE BASIS OF THEIR SPECIAL APTITUDE FOR AND EXPERIENCE IN CARRYING OUT MAJOR PROJECTS OF RESEARCH. SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES, WHO MUST BE NATIONALS OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF NATO, AND MUST PURSUE RESEARCH IN ONE OR MORE OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES ON QUESTICNS OF DIRECT INTEREST TO THE ATLANTIC COMMUNITY, WILL RECEIVE 200,000 FRENCH FRANCS (OR THE EQUIVALENT IN THE CURRENCY OF OTHER NATO COUNTRIES) PER MONTH.IN ADDITION, NECESSARY TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE PURSUANCE OF THESE STUDIES WILL BE PAID BY NATO.

CANADIANS INTERESTED IN APPLYING FOR FELLOWSHIPS MAY OBTAIN THE NECESSARY FORMS FROM THE AWARDS COMMITTEE, ROYAL SOCIETY OF CANADA, NATIONAL RESEARCH BUILDING, SUSSEX STREET, OTTAWA. WINNERS' OF THE AWARDS WILL BE NAMED BY A NATO SELECTION COMMITTEE AND ANNOUNCED ON JUNE 15, 1959.