

Appendix H

Canadian Payments to Commonwealth Bodies

(1) Commonwealth Secretariat

All members of the association are assessed on the basis of the UN assessment schedule. The highest assessment is 30 per cent for Britain, while 14 members are assessed at the lowest rate of .75 per cent. For 1975-76, Canada's assessed share is 20.45 per cent, or £331,807, out of a budget of £1,622,735. (External Affairs funds)

(2) Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation

Contributions to this program are voluntary, and are made by all member countries of the Commonwealth. Canada agreed to pay an amount equal to 200 per cent of the pledges made by less-developed members (with a ceiling of \$3 million *per annum*) for a three-year period that began in 1973. This ceiling was passed in 1974-75, and an upward revision to \$4 million was announced at the 1975 Heads of Government Meeting.

For 1975-76, Canada contributed \$4 million out of a budget of £5.5 million. This represents a 35 percent share of the 1975-76 budget. (CIDA funds)

(3) Commonwealth Foundation

Contributions to this program are voluntary and are made by 34 Commonwealth countries. For 1975-76, Canada contributed £66,375, representing 14.75 per cent of a total budget of £450,000. For the fiscal years 1976-79, Canada has agreed to contribute 32 per cent of the Foundation's budget of £700,000, which amounts to £216,000. (External Affairs funds)

(4) Commonwealth Youth Program

Contributions to this program are voluntary and are made by 27 Commonwealth countries. Canada has agreed to contribute between 30 per cent and 40 per cent of the program's expenditures for the fiscal years 1973-76. We are suggesting a Canadian contribution for this three-year period of £360,000, representing 33.3 per cent of total estimated CYP expenditures of £1,081,466, or 30 per cent of the established budget of £1,200,000. (External Affairs funds)

(5) Commonwealth Institute

Contributions are voluntary. For 1975-76, Canada contributed £1,800 towards the maintenance of the Canadian exhibit and £26,000 towards the Teacher Attachment Program sponsored by the Commonwealth Institute. (External Affairs funds)

(6) Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan

Awards are granted on a voluntary basis by 15 Commonwealth countries. For the fiscal year 1975-76, Canada will contribute \$2.2 million (representing 281 awards out of a total of 1,114). (CIDA funds)