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FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS

The Prime Minister has announced that the Federal Government will spend \$57.8 million to provide work and travel opportunities for some 990,000 high-school and university students who will be seeking jobs this summer. This program, the product of consultation with the provinces and with private organizations, will be co-ordinated by the Secretary of State, Mr. Gérard Pelletier.

RANGE OF ACTIVITIES

An amount of \$15 million has been allocated to voluntary organizations and citizens to finance "Opportunities for Youth", a plan intended to prompt communities to suggest and operate useful and imaginative projects of community research, urban redevelopment, and clean-up and anti-pollution campaigns.

To assist young travellers, the Government has allocated \$1,153,000 to a program for transient youth, which will provide up to 200,000 bed-nights in a coast-to-coast network of hostels. The Department of Secretary of State, in co-operation with provincial

and municipal governments and local organizations, will establish some 50 roadside kiosks to serve as information centres and safe hitch-hiking depots for youthful travellers. Financial and technical assistance to community initiatives in order to assure local participation will be given by the Federal Government.

TRAVEL AND LANGUAGE TRAINING

Another \$3,775,000 has been set aside to support four organized group-travel programs involving about 35,000 students. This represents a substantial increase over funds spent on similar programs last year. Two of the projects involve travel in Canada and two involve international travel.

The "Young Voyageurs" program, a joint federal-provincial operation, expects to send about 4,200 Grade 11 and 12 students on interprovincial visits. Under the second program, funds have been created to assist voluntary organizations and youth groups to hold seminars, study groups, and exchange projects involving interprovincial travel. These grants, given mainly to defray transportation costs, will make it possible for 25,000 young people to travel under this program.

Two international travel programs have been established that will involve about 5,500 students. One will provide financial assistance to voluntary groups organizing travel and exchange programs; the other is directed principally to French-speaking students for study in France.

The Government is allocating \$1.5 million for language training, which will give some 2,500 students an opportunity to follow summer courses in French or English, an increase of about 1,400 over those taking part in similar studies last summer.

EDUCATION AND HEALTH

A \$1-million plan of educational grants to Canadian student-athletes is part of a National Health and

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