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THE HONOURABLE HOWARD GREEN, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT CANADA IS TO PARTICIPATE WITH ITS NATO PARTNERS IN A \$1 MILLION RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAMME WHICH WAS RECENTLY APPROVED BY THE NATO COUNCIL FOR THE PURPOSE OF (A) PROMOTING INCREASED CO-OPERATION IN RESEARCH AMONG THE MEMBER COUNTRIES, AND (B) GIVING SUPPORT TO CERTAIN SPECIFIC PROJECTS REQUIRING INTERNATIONAL AID.

THIS PROGRAMME WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE NATO SCIENCE COMMITTEE WHICH, IT WILL BE RECALLED, WAS CREATED AT THE MEETING OF THE HEADS OF NATO GOVERNMENTS IN DECEMBER, 1957, WITH RESPONSIBILITY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, FOR MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL FOR ACTION WHICH COULD INCREASE THE POTENTIAL OF THE ALLIANCE IN THE SCIENTIFIC FIELD.

THE SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS OF THE RESEARCH GRANTS WILL BE MADE BY A NATO SCIENCE RESEARCH GRANTS PANEL, CONSISTING OF FIVE DISTINGUISHED SCIENTISTS APPOINTED BY THE SCIENCE COMMITTEE, AND SUPPORTED ADMINISTRATIVELY BY THE OFFICE OF THE NATO SCIENCE ADVISER. THE PROGRESS AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAMME WILL BE EXAMINED ANNUALLY IN THE SCIENCE COMMITTEE AND PERIODIC REPORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL AND MEMBER

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GOVERNMENTS. THE RESULTS OF RESEARCH ENCOURAGED UNDER THIS PROGRAMME WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBER COUNTRIES.

THE COSTS OF THE PROGRAMME WILL BE SHARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NORMAL NATO BUDGET-SHARING FORMULA UNDER WHICH CANADA WILL CONTRIBUTE \$ 58,000.

CANADA'S CONTRIBUTION WILL BE IN ADDITION TO ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE NATO SCIENCE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME AND IN THE PROGRAMME FOR ADVANCED STUDIES INSTITUTES WHICH WERE INTRODUCED LAST FALL UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SCIENCE COMMITTEE. ° ° °