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COMMONWEALTH SCHOLARSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP PLAN - CANADIAN AWARDS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that the Canadian Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Committee has completed its selection of candidates for Canadian Commonwealth Scholarships, and had offered awards to 104 scholars from other Commonwealth countries and territories as follows:

India	14
United Kingdom	11
West Indies Federation	10
Australia	9
Pakistan	9
Ceylon	5
Ghana	5
New Zealand	4
South Africa	4
Kenya	4
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland	3
Malta	3
Uganda	3
Singapore	3
Malaya	2
Nigeria	2
British Guiana	2
Mauritius	2

Tanganyika	2
Basutoland	1
Bermuda	1
British Honduras	1
Fiji	1
Sierra Leone	1
Somaliland	1
Swaziland	1

Applications for these awards were submitted first to the appropriate agencies in the students' own countries for preliminary selection. As a result of this preliminary selection by the various agencies in the countries concerned a total of 209 nominations was sent forward to the Canadian Committee for final selection. The majority of the scholarships are awarded at the post-graduate level for a period of two years and candidates will be placed in universities throughout Canada. The awards will cover transportation costs, tuition fees and living expenses of the scholars while in Canada.

The Canadian Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Committee was appointed in December 1959 to guide the implementation in Canada of the recommendations on scholarships approved by the Commonwealth Education Conference held in Oxford, England, in July 1959. The Chairman of the Committee is Dr. G. F. Curtis, Dean of Law, University of British Columbia, and other members represent academic institutions in Canada. The Departments of External Affairs and Trade and Commerce are also represented on the Committee and representatives of the National Research Council and the Canada Council are associated with the Committee in a consultative capacity. Specialized advisory committees in the various academic fields assist the main committee in assessing the qualifications of candidates.

The Canadian Universities Foundation provides the secretarial services for the Committee and the Economic and Technical Assistance Branch of the Department of Trade and Commerce will arrange transportation and payment of stipends to the scholars.

The Canadian Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Committee also selects Canadians for awards offered by other Commonwealth countries. To date offers have been received from the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Malaya, Hong Kong, and jointly from Kenya, Tanganyika and Uganda.

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