



Overseas Development and Co-operation Act 1980

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PART IV

EDUCATION

14 Provision of teachers for, and for further educational co-operation between, Commonwealth countries

- (1) The Secretary of State may from time to time make, out of money provided by Parliament, in accordance with such arrangements as the Secretary of State thinks fit, payments—
 - (a) for enabling persons from countries and territories of the Commonwealth outside the United Kingdom to attend teacher training courses in the United Kingdom ;
 - (b) for encouraging persons from the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland to become temporarily employed in those countries and territories as teachers or in connection with teaching, and for facilitating the return to and resettlement in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland, as the case may be, of persons so employed;
 - (c) for any purpose which the Secretary of State considers will foster co-operation in educational matters between the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth countries and territories;
 - (d) for any purpose appearing to the Secretary of State to be incidental or supplemental to any of the purposes mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (c) above.
- (2) Payments under this section shall not be made for a purpose mentioned in subsection (1)(c) above or a purpose incidental or supplemental to such a purpose, except with the approval of the Treasury.

15 The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission

- (1) There shall continue to be a Commission known as the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom (in this section referred to as " the Commission"), charged with the duty of—
 - (a) selecting the recipients of awards arising out of the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan to persons coming to the United Kingdom,
 - (b) making arrangements for the placing of the recipients at universities, university colleges, colleges of technology or other appropriate establishments in the United Kingdom, and for the supervision of their work during the currency of their awards,
 - (c) selecting persons to be put forward as candidates from the United Kingdom for awards arising out of the Plan and to be granted in countries outside the United Kingdom, and
 - (d) discharging any other functions under the Plan which the Secretary of State may assign to the Commission.
- (2) In subsection (1) above " the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan " means the Plan so named which was put forward by the Commonwealth Development Conference held at Oxford in My 1959.
- (3) The persons to be selected under subsection (1)(a) above shall be Commonwealth citizens or British protected persons (within the meaning of the British Nationality Act 1948) except where the Commission for special reasons, approved by the Secretary of State, otherwise determine.
- (4) The Commission shall consist of a chairman and not less than 9 nor more than 14 other members appointed by the Secretary of State, and not less than 4 of the members shall be persons appointed as the holders of high academic office.
- (5) A member of the Commission shall hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of his appointment, and shall be eligible for re-appointment, but may at any time resign his office by notice in writing to the Secretary of State.
- (6) The quorum at any meeting of the Commission shall be 6, but subject as aforesaid the Commission shall have power to act notwithstanding any vacancy in their number or any defect in the appointment of a member.
- (7) The Commission may appoint committees to assist them in the discharge of their functions, and may delegate the discharge of any of their functions to a committee so appointed, with or without restrictions or conditions.
- (8) Any such committee may include persons who are not members of the Commission.
- (9) In the discharge of their functions the Commission shall comply with any directions given to them by the Secretary of State.
- (10) No direction shall be given for the selection or rejection of any particular person for an award or as a candidate for an award.
- (11) The Secretary of State shall defray the expenses of the Commission, including the payment of travelling and other allowances to members of the Commission or of any committee of the Commission and to persons chosen by the Commission to act as advisers, being allowances of such amounts and payable in such circumstances as he may with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service determine.

- (12) As soon as may be after 30th September in each year the Commission shall make to the Secretary of State a report on the discharge of their functions for the period of 12 months ending with that day, and the Secretary of State shall lay a copy of every such report before Parliament.

16 Expenses under Scholarship Plan

The Secretary of State's expenses—

- (a) in making such awards as are mentioned in paragraph (a) of section 15(1) above ;
- (b) in supplementing any such awards as are mentioned in paragraph (c) of that subsection; and
- (c) in defraying the expenses of the Commission (including the allowances mentioned in section 15(11) above),

shall be defrayed out of money provided by Parliament.

17 Application of Part IV

References to the United Kingdom in this Part of this Act include references to the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.