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SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

ANNUAL REPORT TO SENATE January ~ December 1997

Introduction

The Senate Committee on International Activities is a Standing Committee (Reporting Category "B") established under terms of the University Policy on International Activities.

Members

D. Gagan	Vice-President, Academic (Chair)
L. Berggren	Faculty Member
W. Cleveland	Faculty Member
B. Lewis	Faculty Member
C. Jones	Senator (at-large)
K. Hewitt	Student Senator
J. Knockaert	Secretary (Non-voting)

L. Berggren replaced D. Ross for the balance of his term, July 1, 1997 to May 31, 1998.

1997 Meeting Dates

February 13, 1997 May 12, 1997 September 15, 1997 October 6, 1997 November 3, 1997

Activity Report

1. <u>The International Undergraduate Student Exchange Committee</u> (IUSEC)

In 1997, IUSEC selected 67 students (99 semesters in total) to participate in the University's international bilateral and multilateral undergraduate exchanges (Cf Appendix 1 for Exchange partners). Current IUSEC membership includes W. Cleveland (Chair), A. Heard, R. Davison, A. Sitter, W. Cheung, R. Heath (ex officio), and R. Martin (Secretary, non-voting).

SCIA approved a motion that applications for undergraduate student exchange not be considered unless the applicants will have completed a minimum of fifteen (15) credit hours of SFU course work in advance of the exchange.

SCIA agreed that a revised Field School Manual be accepted in the form presented by IUSEC's Secretary.

2. Sri Lanka Teacher Development Project

A proposal by the Faculty of Education to compete for a World Bank-funded institutional linkage project was recommended unanimously, for approval by the President. The proposal was submitted in collaboration with York University.

3. Rajabhat Institute Thailand Training Program

SCIA unanimously recommended support for a series of short term training programs, coordinated by the Faculty of Education, for faculty and staff of the Rajabhat Institutes of North East Thailand.

4. <u>Hawaii Field School</u>

SCIA recommended approval of a Faculty of Education proposal for a Field School focusing on Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in Education, to be held in Hilo, Hawaii.

5. School for Contemporary Arts: Gamelan Field School, Indonesia

SCIA unanimously recommended approval by the President of the proposed field school.

6. <u>China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and</u> <u>Development Project, Phase II</u>

The Committee reviewed the proposal and unanimously recommended that the President approve SFU's participation in this initiative.

7. <u>Training Program for the Korea Telecom Research and Development</u> <u>Group</u>

SCIA reviewed the proposal from the Faculty of Applied Sciences. Subject to clarification of budget details, and qualifications of the instructor, SCIA recommended the contract be approved.

8. Frequency of SCIA Meetings

The Secretary was directed to investigate the feasibility of monthly meetings to deal expeditiously with the increasing number of submissions. It was subsequently

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agreed that SCIA will meet every first Monday of the month in which Senate meets, or at the call of the Chair.

9. Training Video Project, Lijiang, China

SCIA reviewed and supported in principle an application by the David Lam Centre for financial support from CIDA's Development Information Program to help fund production of a video on the Centre's work in Lijiang.

10. Canadian International Development Agency: Tier 2 Linkage Projects

SCIA unanimously recommended that both the University/Industry Technology Transfer Project (Chile) and the Pacific-Canada Collaborative Justice Project (South Pacific) be approved by the President for submission to this CIDA-funded competition.

11. Executive MBA Program: Hong Kong

SCIA reviewed a proposal for SFU to offer its EMBA program in Hong Kong, in collaboration with Dun & Bradstreet. SCIA supported the recommendation that the program proceed, subject to close scrutiny of the financial details by the Office of the Vice-President, Academic.

12. Cooperation Between Obor and the Canadian Centre for Publishing

Obor, a not-for-profit society headquartered in Philadelphia, is engaged in stimulating NGO publications concerned with democratization, the environment and civil liberties. SCIA gave general approval for SFU's Centre for Publishing to discuss mechanisms for cooperating with Obor, in developing countries, to improve local publishing.

13. <u>A Simon Fraser University Centre in Cephalonia, Greece</u>

SCIA received for information a proposal to establish an SFU instructional centre in Cephalonia. SCIA expressed reservations about the initiative proceeding too quickly without full University scrutiny. SCIA unanimously passed a motion that a task force be struck to oversee planning of this activity.

14. Training in Economic Management -- Cuba

SCIA recommended the President approve SFU's participation in this proposal being developed by Hickling Corporation of Ottawa. Faculty and staff from both Latin American Studies and the Centre for Distance Education expressed interest in participating in this CIDA-funded project.

15. China: Women and the Law Project

SCIA recommended to the President that he approve SFU's participation in this ACCC-led proposal to CIDA. The David Lam Centre, and faculty and lecturers associated with Women's Studies expressed interest in participating in this project.

16. <u>Polytechnics Development Project -- Asian Development Bank,</u> <u>Indonesia</u>

BCIT sought SFU support in its bid for an Asian Development Bank contract to develop a strategy for improving polytechnic education in Indonesia. Support would come from SFU's Eastern Indonesia University Development Project. SCIA recommended this activity to the President for approval.

17. Skills Workshop Proposal: Korea Telecom

SCIA endorsed the proposal to provide training in presentation skills, but with reservations. The Chair was asked to clarify with the Dean of Applied Sciences the relationship between this type of training and the Faculty's mission.

18. <u>Cooperation with South East Asian Ministers of Education</u> Organization (SEAMEO)

SCIA recommended that the President support SFU's participation in small distance education initiatives with three SEAMEO regional centres. SCIA also endorsed the Centre for Distance Education's interest in developing a Tier 1 proposal to CIDA for a SEAMEO-wide distance education program.

19. Agreement with Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore

SCIA recommended to the President that he approve an agreement with Temasek Polytechnic for the use of SFU distance education course materials in the humanities and social sciences.

20. <u>Report of the President's Advisory Committee on International</u> <u>Activities</u>

SCIA reviewed the Advisory Committee's Report and Recommendations and moved that it be submitted to the President for approval in its entirety.

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David P. Gagan Chair, SCIA February 9, 1998

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	COUNTRY	CITY	UNIVERSITY	FIELD(S) OF STUDY
	England	Brighton Norwich	University of Sussex The University of East Anglia	Arts, Sciences Arts, Biology
	Denmark	Aarhus	Aarhus University	English
	France	Grenoble*	Université Stendhal	French, Literature
	Germany	Giessen* Köln* Saarbrüchen*	Justus Leibeg Universität Universität zu Köln Universität des Saarlandes	Business, English Arts, Social Sciences Arts, Social Sciences
	Netherlands	Groningen Utrecht	Hanzehogeschool Groningen Universiteit Utrecht	Business Arts, Psychology
	Norway	Sandvika Oslo	Norwegian School of Management University of Oslo	Business All disciplines
	Scotland	Dundee	The University of Dundee	Arts
	Sweden	Lund	Lund University	All disciplines
1	Switzerland	Basel	Universität Basel	English, Linguisitics, Languages
	Turkey	Istanbul	Koç University	All disciplines
	Asia & Austral	ia		
	Australia	Adelaide Melbourne Perth Victoria	Flinders University Monash University Murdoch University Swinburne University of Technology	All disciplines All disciplines All disciplines Business
	China Studies	Shanghai	East China Normal University	Chinese Language & Chinese
	Fiji	Suva	University of the South Pacific	All disciplines
	Hong Kong		Chinese University of Hong Kong	All disciplines
	Japan	Osaka⁺ Tokyo⁺	Kansai Gaidai Meiji Gakuin Daigaku	Asian/Japanese Studies Asian/Japanese Studies
	Korea	Seoul	Yonsei University	Asian Studies, Business
	Philippines	Manila	De La Salle University	Arts, Asian Studies
	Singapore		National University of Singapore	Arts, Asian Studies
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North America, Mexico, Cuba, & South America

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COUNTRY	CITY	UNIVERSITY	FIELD(S) OF STUDY
Canada	Montreal*	Universitié de Quebec á Montréal Universitie de Montreal	All disciplines Mathematics
	Ottawa	University of Ottawa Universitié Laval	All disciplines Business
	Quebec*	Universitie Lavai	Dusiliess
USA	Albuquerque	University of New Mexico	All disciplines
	Bellingham	Western Washington University	All disciplines
	Boston	Northeastern University	Arts, Sciences
	Honolulu	University of Hawaii at Manoa	Various disciplines
Argentina	Buenos Aires*	Universidad de Belgrano	Spanish, All disciplines
Chile	Santiago*	Pontifica Universidad Catolica	All disciplines
Cuba	Havana*	Universidad de la Habana	All disciplines
Mexico	Guadalajara Mexico City* Monterrey Puebla	Universidad de Guadalajara InstitutoTecnológico Autónoma ITESM Universidad de las Americas	Business Business, Social Sciences Spanish, various disciplines Business, Spanish

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(* denotes the exchange may require proficiency or some previous training in a foreign language)

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DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

CHINA

• Regional Economic Development in Minority Areas & Training of Minority Professionals (Phase II)

Date: 1996-2000 (Phase II) Funding: CIDA \$512,000 (Phase II)

• Project on New Cooperative Enterprise Forms (Phase II)

Date: 1996 - 1998 (Phase II) Funding: IDRC \$155,000; CCA \$170,000 (Phase II)

• China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED)

Date: 1997 - 2002 (Phase II) Funding: CIDA \$6.9 million

• Women's Law in China Project

Date:1997 (Inception Report)Funding:CIDA \$200,000 (Led by ACCC, full project budget to be determined)

GHANA

• Ghana Distance Education Development Project

Date: 1995-2000 Funding: CIDA \$750,000

INDONESIA

• Eastern Indonesia University Development Project

Date: 1994-2000 Phase II Funding: CIDA \$26.9 million (Phase II)

• Polytechnic Development Project

Date:1998Funding:Asian Development Bank US\$570,000 (BCIT led)

MEXICO

• Common Journeys: Women Walking Together

Date: 1996 - 1998 Funding: CIDA \$250,000

PHILIPPINES

• Philippines Distance Education Development Project

Date: 1996-2001 Funding: CIDA \$750,000

VIETNAM

• Vietnam Consortium Fellowship Program

Date: 1993-1999 Funding: CIDA \$1,017,655