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### Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories

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### Report of the Secretary-General

#### Addendum\*\*

#### Offers and awards

##### Canada

1. In a note verbale dated 1 March 2019, the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations informed the Secretariat of the following:

Between 2009 and 2017, 14 students, faculty and researchers from Non-Self-Governing Territories received scholarships from six different Global Affairs Canada scholarship programmes (see tables 1 and 2). Inhabitants from Non-Self-Governing Territories are eligible to apply for the Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarships and the Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships, Canada's most prestigious awards for doctoral students and postdoctoral fellows, respectively, working in the health sciences, natural sciences and engineering, and social sciences and humanities. For other scholarships offered by the Government of Canada, see [www.scholarships.gc.ca](http://www.scholarships.gc.ca).

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\*\* The information contained in the present addendum was received after the issuance of the main report or for technical reasons could not be processed in time for inclusion in that report.



Table 1  
**Scholarship programmes offered to Non-Self-Governing Territories**

| <i>Non-Self-Governing Territory</i>                                   | <i>Global Affairs Canada scholarship programme</i>                     |
|---|--|
| Anguilla, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Montserrat | Canada-Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Leadership Scholarships Programme |
|   | Canada-CARICOM Virtual University Scholarship Programme                |
|   | Emerging Leaders in the Americas Programme                             |
|   | Canada-CARICOM Faculty Leadership Programme                            |
| Saint Helena  | Emerging Leaders in the Americas Programme                             |
| Turks and Caicos Islands  | Canada-CARICOM Virtual University Scholarship Programme                |
|   | Emerging Leaders in the Americas Programme                             |
|   | Canada-CARICOM Faculty Leadership Programme                            |
|   | Canadian Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship                |

Table 2  
**Number of scholarships awarded by Global Affairs Canada between 2009 and 2017, by Territory**

| <i>Non-Self-Governing Territory</i> | <i>Number of scholarships awarded</i> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Anguilla                            | 0                                     |
| Bermuda                             | 1                                     |
| British Virgin Islands              | 1                                     |
| Cayman Islands                      | 11                                    |
| Montserrat                          | 1                                     |
| Saint Helena                        | 0                                     |
| Turks and Caicos Islands            | 0                                     |
| <b>Total</b>                        | <b>14</b>                             |

*Note:* Canadians are eligible to apply to the Canadian Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship, and study or research in Non-Self-Governing Territories, as long as there is an agreement between the Canadian and non-Canadian institutions.

## **Cuba**

2. In a note verbale dated 20 March 2019, the Permanent Mission of Cuba to the United Nations informed the Secretariat of the following:

Contribution of the Republic of Cuba to the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of resolution 73/106 entitled “Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories”, adopted by the General Assembly on 7 December 2018.

**Scholarship recipients from Non-Self-Governing Territories studying in Cuba during the 2017/18 academic year**

| <i>Territory</i> | <i>MINSAP</i> | <i>MES</i> |
|------------------|---------------|------------|
| Western Sahara   | 72            | 6          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>72</b>     | <b>6</b>   |

**Scholarship recipients from Non-Self-Governing Territories who have graduated in Cuba as of 2017**

| <i>Territory</i> | <i>MINSAP</i> | <i>MES</i> | <i>INDER</i> | <i>MINED</i>            |                  | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|
|                  |               |            |              | <i>Higher Secondary</i> | <i>Secondary</i> |              |
| Anguilla         | 1             |            |              |                         |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Bermuda          | 1             | 1          |              | 1                       |                  | <b>3</b>     |
| Western Sahara   | 345           | 551        | 16           | 199                     | 935              | <b>2 046</b> |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>347</b>    | <b>552</b> | <b>16</b>    | <b>200</b>              | <b>935</b>       | <b>2 050</b> |

**Scholarships offered to Non-Self-Governing Territories 2018–2019**

| <i>Territory</i> | <i>MINSAP</i> | <i>MES</i> |
|------------------|---------------|------------|
| Western Sahara   | 5             | 36         |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>5</b>      | <b>36</b>  |

*Abbreviations:* INDER (Instituto Nacional de Deportes, Educación Física y Recreación), National Institute for Sports, Physical Education and Recreation; MES (Ministerio de Educación Superior), Ministry of Higher Education; MINED (Ministerio de Educación), Ministry of Education; MINSAP (Ministerio de Salud Pública), Ministry of Public Health.

**Russian Federation**

3. In a note verbale dated 9 April 2019, the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations informed the Secretariat that, as at 1 October 2018, there were five students from Anguilla, one student from the United States Virgin Islands and one student from American Samoa – all studying on a commercial basis – in Russian education institutions. In addition, the acceptance plan for the 2019/20 academic year provides a quota for three students from Western Sahara.

**Saudi Arabia**

4. In a note verbale dated 2 April 2019, the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations informed the Secretariat of the following:

### Scholarships offered by Saudi Arabia to students from Non-Self-Governing Territories

| <i>Non-Self-Governing Territories</i>    | <i>Number of scholarships offered</i> |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Bermuda                                  | 5                                     |
| Cayman Islands                           | 5                                     |
| Falkland Islands (Malvinas) <sup>a</sup> | 5                                     |
| Saint Helena                             | 5                                     |
| Turks and Caicos Islands                 | 5                                     |
| Virgin Islands <sup>b</sup>              | 5                                     |

<sup>a</sup> A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

<sup>b</sup> As submitted.

### Singapore

5. In an email dated 8 April 2019, the Permanent Mission of Singapore to the United Nations informed the Secretariat of the following training programmes in various areas, including public administration and governance, information and communications technology, economic development and trade, civil aviation, and environment and urban development:

### Scholarship programmes awarded to inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories

| <i>Non-Self-Governing Territories</i> | <i>Number of participants (as at March 2019)</i> |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Anguilla                              | 25   |
| Bermuda                               | 7  |
| British Virgin Islands                | 19   |
| Cayman Islands                        | 12   |
| Montserrat                            | 61   |
| Tokelau                               | 3  |
| Turks and Caicos Islands              | 11   |

### Sri Lanka

6. In a note verbale dated 8 March 2019, the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka to the United Nations informed the Secretariat of the following:

The Ministry of City Planning, Water Supply and Higher Education of Sri Lanka conducts two scholarship programmes for foreign students to follow undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, namely:

- (a) The Sri Lanka Presidential Scholarships for Foreign Students Programme;
- (b) The Sri Lanka Commonwealth Scholarship Programme.

Foreign candidates who apply for the Government of Sri Lanka Presidential Scholarships should apply through the respective Sri Lankan missions. The scholarships are open to the 58 countries listed below:

**Asian countries:** Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam.

**Non-Asian countries:** Argentina, Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Brazil, Belgium, Burkina Faso, Canada, Cuba, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Iceland, Netherlands, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Israel, Italy, Kenya, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Portugal, Russian Federation, Seychelles, South Africa, State of Palestine, Swaziland, Sweden, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America.

The administering Powers, i.e., France, New Zealand, United Kingdom and United States, are also included in the above list. However, the Ministry has not received applications from those four countries or from any of the Non-Self-Governing Territories thus far.

In addition to sending out letters calling for applications and providing information on available courses, application forms and other details to foreign missions, the Ministry also publishes online notices on its website (see [www.mohe.gov.lk](http://www.mohe.gov.lk)).

The total number of undergraduate scholarships offered under the Government of Sri Lanka Presidential Scholarship Programme is 50 per year. Half of those are allocated to non-Asian countries. In addition, two postgraduate scholarships are offered to Commonwealth countries under the Sri Lanka Commonwealth Scholarship Programme administered by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom.

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