

(b) Promote greater understanding of and cooperation on, among concerned United States Government departments and agencies, common issues and challenges faced in conducting international exchanges and training programs, including through the establishment of a clearinghouse for information on international exchange and training activities in the governmental and nongovernmental sectors;

(c) In order to achieve the most efficient and cost-effective use of Federal resources, identify administrative and programmatic duplication and overlap of activities by the various United States Government agencies involved in Government-sponsored international exchange and training programs, and report thereon;

(d) No later than 1 year from the date of this order, develop initially and thereafter assess annually a coordinated strategy for all United States Government-sponsored international exchange and training programs, and issue a report on such strategy;

(e) No later than 2 years from the date of this order, develop recommendations on performance measures for all United States Government-sponsored international exchange and training programs, and issue a report thereon; and

(f) Develop strategies for expanding public and private partnerships in, and leveraging private sector support for, United States Government-sponsored international exchange and training activities.

SEC. 5. All reports prepared by the Working Group pursuant to section 4 shall be made to the President, through the Director of the United States Information Agency.

SEC. 6. The Working Group shall meet on at least a quarterly basis.

SEC. 7. Any expenses incurred by a member of the Working Group in connection with such member's service on the Working Group shall be borne by the member's respective department or agency.

SEC. 8. If any member of the Working Group disagrees with respect to any matter in any report prepared pursuant to section 4, such member may prepare a statement setting forth the reasons for such disagreement and such statement shall be appended to, and considered a part of, the report.

SEC. 9. Nothing in this Executive order is intended to alter the authorities and responsibilities of the head of any department or agency.

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[For abolition of United States Information Agency (other than Broadcasting Board of Governors and International Broadcasting Bureau), transfer of functions, and treatment of references thereto, see sections 6531, 6532, and 6551 of this title.]

§ 2461. Exchanges between United States and independent states of the former Soviet Union

(a) Financing of exchanges with repayments on Lend-Lease debts

The President is authorized to negotiate and implement agreements with the independent states of the former Soviet Union under which repayments made by the independent states on Lend-Lease debts to the United States would be used to finance the exchange of persons between the United States and the independent states for educational, cultural, and artistic purposes. Exchanges authorized pursuant to this section shall be administered subject to the provisions of this chapter. Part of the funds repaid to the United States shall be in convertible currency for the purpose of paying the expenses associated with study and other exchange activities in the United States by citizens of the independent states.

(b) Limitation on availability of funds

Funds made available for the purposes of this section shall be available only to the extent and in the amounts provided for in an appropriation Act.

(Pub. L. 87-256, § 113, as added Pub. L. 101-246, title II, § 224, Feb. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 56; amended Pub. L. 103-199, title III, § 301(2), Dec. 17, 1993, 107 Stat. 2322.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 87-256, Sept. 21, 1961, 75 Stat. 527, known as the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2451 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1993—Pub. L. 103-199, § 301(2)(A), substituted "Exchanges between United States and independent states of the former Soviet Union" for "United States-Soviet exchanges" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-199, § 301(2)(B)-(E), substituted "agreements with the independent states of the former Soviet Union" for "an agreement with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics", "made by the independent states" for "made by the Soviet Union", "and the independent states" for "and the Soviet Union", and "in the United States by citizens of the independent states" for "by Soviet citizens in the United States".

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEFINITIONS

In subsec. (a), independent states of the former Soviet Union and independent states have the meanings given in section 5801 of this title, see section 3 of Pub. L. 103-199, set out as a note under section 5801 of this title.

§ 2462. Establishment of grant program for foreign study by American college students of limited financial means

(a) Establishment

Subject to the availability of appropriations and under the authorities of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 [22 U.S.C. 2451 et seq.], the Secretary of State shall establish and carry out a program in each fiscal year to award grants of up to \$5,000, to individuals who meet the requirements of subsection (b), toward the cost of up to one academic year of undergraduate study abroad. Grants under this Act shall be known as the "Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships".

(b) Eligibility

An individual referred to in subsection (a) is an individual who—

(1) is a student in good standing at an institution of higher education in the United States (as defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 [20 U.S.C. 1001(a)]);

(2) has been accepted for up to one academic year of study on a program of study abroad approved for credit by the student's home institution;

(3) is receiving any need-based student assistance under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 [20 U.S.C. 1070 et seq.]; and