

## Legal Authorities

### **Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange (Fulbright-Hays) Act of 1961, as amended; Sections 102(a)(1) and 106(a); 22 U.S.C. 2452(a)(1) and 2456(a).**

22 U.S.C. Sec. 2452(a)(1)

(a) Grants or contracts for educational or cultural exchanges; participation in international fairs and expositions abroad

The Director of the United States Information Agency is authorized, when he considers that it would strengthen international cooperative relations, to provide, by grant, contract, or otherwise, for –

(1) educational exchanges, (i) by financing studies, research, instruction, and other educational activities –

(A) of or for American citizens and nationals in foreign countries, and

(B) of or for citizens and nationals of foreign countries in American schools and institutions of learning located in or outside the United States;

and (ii) by financing visits and interchanges between the United States and other countries of students, trainees, teachers, instructors, and professors;

Note: Functions of the Director of the United States Information Agency were transferred to the Secretary of State, with exceptions. See 22 U.S.C. 6531-6532.

22 U.S.C. Sec. 2456(a)

(a) Appointment; members; considerations for selection

(1) For the purpose of selecting students, scholars, teachers, trainees, and other persons to participate in the programs authorized under section 2452(a)(1) of this title, and of supervising such programs and the programs authorized under section 2452(b)(4) and (6) of this title, there is continued the authority of the President to appoint a board of foreign scholarships which shall be known as the "J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board" (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") consisting of twelve members. In connection with appointments to such Board, due consideration shall be

given to the selection of distinguished representatives of cultural, educational, student advisory, and war veterans groups, and representatives of the United States Department of Education, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, public and private nonprofit educational institutions.

(2) In the selection of American citizens for participation in programs under this chapter, preference shall be given to those who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States, and due consideration shall be given to applicants from all geographical areas of the United States.

**Exchange Visitor Program regulations, 22 CFR Part 62.**

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