



Forty-seventh annual report of the
Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission
for the year ending 30 September 2000



THE MARSHALL AID COMMEMORATION COMMISSION TO HER MAJESTY'S PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS

Pursuant to Section 2(6) of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Act 1953, we have the honour to submit the report of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission for the year ending 30 September 2000.

INTRODUCTION



*General George C. Marshall,
instigator of the European
Recovery Programme (Marshall
Plan)*

As a way of expressing Britain's gratitude to the American people for the Marshall Plan, the British Parliament passed the Marshall Aid Commemoration Act in 1953 which founded the British Marshall Scholarships.

These Scholarships enable young Americans of high academic ability to study for a degree at a British university, either at undergraduate or graduate level. The scheme allows the students, who are the potential leaders, opinion-formers and decision-makers in their own country, to gain an understanding and appreciation of British values and the British way of life. It also establishes long-lasting ties between the peoples of Britain and the United States. Up to 40 new awards are offered every year. Each one is held for two years and may be extended for a third year. It is an objective of the Commission to ensure funding is available for third years where required.

The programme is funded by HM Government (FCO) and is administered in Britain by the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission and in the United States by the British Embassy in Washington DC, and the Consulates-General in Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston and San Francisco. HRH The Prince of Wales is Honorary Patron of the Association of Marshall Scholars.

MEETINGS AND MEMBERSHIP

Regular business meetings of the Commission were held on 21 September 1999, 24 January and 10 April 2000. The Commission's recently established Education and Finance Committees met on several occasions under the respective chairmanship of Dr Frances Dow (Dean/Provost of Arts, University of Edinburgh) and Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey (former Director, Chadwyck-Healey Ltd). A new Marketing Strategy Committee was appointed during the year, chaired by Ms Ann Lewis (former Head, Cultural Relations Department, FCO), the first meeting of which took place on 12 July 2000.

*Jonathan Taylor, Chairman
of the Marshall Commission*



The Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs appointed Mr Jonathan Taylor (Chair of the Governing Body, School of Oriental & African Studies, London and former Chairman and Chief Executive of Booker plc) as Chairman of the Commission, with effect from 1 March 2000, for an initial period of 3 years. His appointment followed the retirement on 29 February 2000 of Dr Robert Stevens (Master of Pembroke College, Oxford) as Chairman. The Commission is indebted to Dr Stevens for his unstinting support and commitment to the Marshall programme during his 5 years in office. On 10 April 2000 a luncheon was hosted at Lancaster House by

Baroness Scotland of Asthal QC, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs, to mark formally Dr Stevens' departure and to welcome the incoming Chairman.

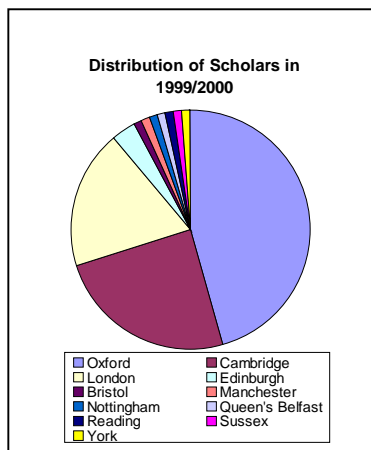
During the year under report the Commission decided to appoint a UK-based former Marshall Scholar as an official Observer to the Commission. Applications were solicited from a number of alumni following which Dr Thomas Halverson (1989 Scholar and current Executive Director, Goldman Sachs) was appointed, with effect from 1 November 1999, for an initial period of one year.

The Commission's FCO Observer, Ms Ann Lewis, retired from the Cultural Relations Department in April 2000, and members are thankful for her help and advice during her many years in office. Her successor as Head of the Cultural Relations Department, Dr Michael Reilly, assumed her role as FCO Observer.

A full list of Commission members is appended at the end of this Report (Appendix I), and includes a note of their affiliation with the Education, Finance and Marketing Strategy Committees.

SCHOLARS IN BRITAIN 1999/2000

At the start of the academic year 1999/2000, 90 Marshall Scholars were in residence at British universities. This number was made up of 13 1997 Scholars, who were completing a third year, 37 1998 Scholars and another 40 Scholars who had taken up their awards in 1999. The total group comprised 55 men and 35 women. Two of the Scholars were married (one man and one woman), the spouses of both of whom were in residence in the UK.



The distribution of awards was as follows: 41 at Oxford, 22 at Cambridge, 17 in London (6 at the London School of Economics, 2 each at Imperial College, the School of Oriental & African Studies and University College London, and one each at Central Saint Martins College of Art & Design, the Royal College of Art, the School of Slavonic & East European Studies (UCL), Trinity College of Music and the Royal Academy of Music), 3 at the University of Edinburgh, and one each at the Universities of Bristol, Manchester, Nottingham, Queen's Belfast, Reading, Sussex and York.

As had been the trend in recent years, the majority of Scholars had chosen postgraduate programmes, with 79 enrolling for taught and research graduate degrees; 11 Scholars were registered for a second Bachelor degree or other preparatory undergraduate course.

Twenty-seven Scholars were pursuing courses in Science and Engineering, including Mathematics, and 63 in the Arts and Social Sciences. The range of individual subjects studied in the year under review was the same as the previous year (56). The subjects chosen were as follows:

Science, Engineering and Mathematics

Subject	No. of Scholars
Applied Mathematics & Fluid Mechanics	1
Artificial Intelligence	1
Biochemistry	1
Botanical Diversity	1
Chemistry	1
Clinical Medicine	3
Cognitive Science & Natural Language	1
Computational Neuroscience	1
Engineering	2
Epidemiology, Evolution & Control of Infectious Diseases	1
Mathematics	4
Mechanical Engineering	1
Medical Engineering	2
Modelling Biological Complexity	1
Molecular Biology	3
Neuroscience	1
Pharmacology	1
Physics	1
Total	27

Arts and Social Sciences

Subject	No. of Scholars
African Literature	1
Architecture & Interiors	1
Classics	1
Comparative Ethnic Conflict	1
Comparative Politics	1
Comparative Social Research	4
Contemporary Russian Literature	1
Deaf Studies	1
Development Studies	1
Earth Sciences	1
Economics	1
Economics & Management	2
Economic & Social History	3
Econometrics & Mathematical Economics	1
English	4
European Literature	1
Fine Art	1
Geography	1
History	4
History & Economics	1
International Relations	3
Land Economy	2
Latin American Studies	1
Law	2
MBA	1
Music	3
Oriental Studies	1
Philosophy	1
Philosophy, Politics & Economics	3
Politics	4
Political Thought & Intellectual History	2
Psychology & Philosophy	1
Regional & Urban Planning Studies	1
Russian & Post-Soviet Studies	1
Social Administration/Policy	2
Social & Political Sciences	1
Sociology	1
Theology	1
Total	63

SCHOLARS GRADUATING IN 2000

Thirty-six Scholars completed tenure of their awards in 2000. Of these, 13 had graduated at the time of completion. The remaining Scholars, who are registered for research or taught Master's programmes, will complete the requirements for their degrees in the coming months.

The successful graduates were all 1998 Scholars, whose results were as follows: 3 Master of Philosophy, 2 Master of Science, one Master of Arts, and 5 Bachelor of Arts (one at Cambridge with first class honours and 4 at Oxford, 3 with second class honours, upper division, and one with second class, lower division). Two further Scholars successfully completed Part III of the Mathematical Tripos at Cambridge.

The examination results of 21 former Scholars were announced during the year – 2 from the 1994 group, one from the 1995 group, 6 from the 1996 group, and 12 from the 1997 group; 8 of these obtained a doctorate, and 13 took a Master's degree.

The names of all Scholars on whom degrees were conferred during 1999/2000, together with their results, are listed at the end of this Report (Appendix II).



Six Scholars from the 1998 group were granted an extension of their award to a third year of tenure, either on full or partial funding, and will continue their studies in 2000/2001: 4 at Oxford and one each at Bristol and London (SSEES/UCL). Three further 1998 Scholars will be supported entirely by alternative funding sources (ie, 2 by Howard Hughes Medical Institute Postgraduate Fellowships and one by a National Science Foundation Fellowship/Overseas Research Student Award) during their third year – all 3 at Cambridge. A further 5 1998 Scholars will be supported under the terms of recent funding arrangements agreed with the Cambridge Overseas Trust and the Universities of Edinburgh and Oxford – one at Cambridge, one at Edinburgh and 3 at Oxford. (As reported in the 45th Annual Report¹, each year the costs of a third year for up to 3 Marshall Scholars at Cambridge will be underwritten by the Cambridge Overseas Trust. Similarly, the costs of a third year for up to 2 Marshall Scholars at Edinburgh will be covered by the University of Edinburgh and, the costs of a third year for up to 3 Marshall Scholars at Oxford will be provided for by the University of Oxford. In all cases, Scholars must be registered for the degree of PhD, requiring not more than one further year of fees and maintenance to complete their doctorate, and are required by the respective universities to apply for alternative sources of funding for which they are eligible).

Cable & Wireless has also agreed in principle to provide supplementary funding for third-year studies and other activities.

Two of the 1999 Scholars resigned their award and returned to the United States at the end of their first year.

¹ Cm 4354

SCHOLARS' WELFARE

The Commission's efforts during 1999/2000 were, once again, largely concentrated on the selection and placement of Scholars. Much energy was also devoted to helping the Scholars make the best use of their awards and derive maximum benefit from their time spent in the United Kingdom. Every encouragement was given to Scholars to keep in contact with and to visit the Secretariat whenever possible, whether for help on academic and other matters or on a social basis; also, some visits were made by members of the Secretariat to Scholars at their universities.

Tutors and supervisors were asked to provide progress reports at the end of the academic session and, as is customary, the Scholars themselves submitted annual reports. These reports, which are confidential to the Commission and members of the selection committees in the United States, are invaluable in allowing Scholars and tutors to comment freely on both favourable and less successful aspects of a particular tenure. The Commission takes very seriously Scholars' comments about any difficulties encountered in their academic programme and brings such problems to the attention of the institution concerned when such action appears necessary.

In their annual reports, some of the Scholars' tutors/supervisors commented as follows:

I have always thought very highly of the Marshall Scholars that I have taught here over 25 years. X is a model member of that very distinguished band.

X has proved himself to be one of the outstanding students of his generation. He is a young man of proved ability and enormous potential. Beyond this he has considerable personal charm. He is a credit to himself and the Marshall Scholarship programme.

I very much enjoy supervising X and he continues to be a real asset to the Faculty. His friendly, open, cheerful and enthusiastic character, and his continual support and participation in seminars, reading classes, teaching and social events makes him admired and liked by senior scholars, graduates and undergraduates alike.

X has been an invaluable member of the college community. The first year of her Scholarship has been an unqualified success.

Whatever selection procedure the Marshall Commission used to select X was a good one – I can't imagine a more suitable or successful recipient of an award.

X has been one of our most outstanding students in the last decades.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for sending such a good student our way. I look forward to receiving applications from British Marshall Scholars in the future.

Some comments made by Scholars in their annual reports read as follows:

I look at this year as an incredible time of personal growth that has accompanied and complemented the academic achievements that I have made.

My experience is one that confirms the goal of the Marshall Scholarships, in the sense that I have gained an intimate knowledge of this country through travel, friendship and study, and I will always retain an appreciation and affinity for the British Isles.

What matters is that I have been part of something, a great community of thinkers and doers, a community that has positively influenced me and will continue to do so for years to come.

The year has been a most amazing experience. Looking back, it has been a defining year for me academically, socially and emotionally.

The three years I have spent as a Marshall Scholar have given me a perspective on people and time that I would never had obtained pursuing my PhD in the US. I feel I have gained both wisdom and knowledge and am most grateful for the opportunity.

I have enjoyed a wonderful two years in Britain. If my third year should even approach those years in terms of intellectual growth and sheer personal fulfilment, I will consider myself a fortunate man indeed.

Thank you for furthering my education in a substantive and life-changing way.

When I was awarded the Marshall Scholarship in 1997 I remember discussing with my family that it would be the single largest gift I would ever receive. These two years have proved it to be such.

Both personally and academically, these years have been profoundly challenging and influential.



John Shepherd CMG, Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs



Dr Robert Stevens (front row, centre) with the 1999 Scholars at the Durbar Court, FCO

Scholars completing tenure of their awards were also asked to complete Questionnaires giving responses to specific questions about various aspects of their tenure. The Questionnaires asked Scholars to comment on the format and style of their Marshall interview, and to answer a series of questions about their course of study and accommodation in the UK, the administration of their Scholarship, their personal experience in the UK and their plans for the future, including their proposed involvement in the Alumni Association of Marshall Scholars. These Questionnaires were scrutinised by the Commission and its Education Committee.

Commission members were able to meet the Scholars at a Government Reception held at the Durbar Court, FCO, on 30 September 1999 to welcome the 1999 Scholars. The Reception was hosted by Mr John Shepherd CMG, Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs.



Badge of the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn

Commissioners met Scholars again at a Dinner given in honour of those completing their awards. The Dinner was held on 8 May 2000 at the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn, London. The special guest and principal speaker at the Dinner was Lord Puttnam of Queensgate CBE, Oscar-winning film producer, Chairman of Enigma Productions, Chairman of the UK General Teaching Council and a Labour Peer. Baroness of Scotland of Asthal QC, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs, also spoke and presented Award Certificates to the graduating Scholars. Ms Alison Post, a 1998 Scholar who has used her Scholarship to study Regional & Urban Planning at the London School of Economics, spoke on behalf of those Scholars returning home to the United States. Ms Post's speech contained the following remarks:



Jonathan Taylor, Chairman of the Commission, welcoming Scholars to the Marshall Dinner at Gray's Inn

I remember reading through the stated objectives of the Marshall Scholarship programme before applying and thinking how ambitious they were, how much money and effort your government invests in this small group of individuals... What you have done is select a group of focused and motivated individuals at a critical time in our lives, when our sense of ourselves as adults and professionals in this world is still crystallizing. You have thrust us into a new culture, political discourse and institutional environment. You have let us learn from peers from all over the globe and from each other. This process has called into question many of our initial assumptions about our own strengths and loves, and assumptions about the way the world should and could work ... On behalf of the graduating Marshall Scholars, thank you, United Kingdom, for this gift. We do not yet realise the extent to which this experience has shaped us. We hope as much as you do that these years have been a good investment.



Lord Puttnam of Queensgate, special guest and speaker at the Marshall Dinner

An additional event was held at the FCO on 8 May 2000 to which all Marshall Scholars and Commission members were invited. This comprised a Discussion Forum during which Scholars enjoyed a lively discussion with senior FCO officials on topics such as the troubles in Northern Ireland and the developing relationship between the US and the EU.



Baroness Scotland of Asthal presenting an Award Certificate to leaving 1998 Scholar Brian Saccente, who used his award at Queen's University of Belfast and Trinity College of Music, London

In addition to these more formal social events, opportunities also arose during the year for some members of the Commission and Secretariat to meet with and offer informal hospitality to Scholars at their university locations. The Scholars themselves organised the now traditional Annual Marshall Thanksgiving Dinner which was held in London on 27 November 1999. Over 60 Marshall Scholars attended the Dinner, together with members of the Secretariat.

As part of the induction week for the 1999 Scholars which took place in late September 1999, HE The British Ambassador in Washington DC, Sir Christopher Meyer KCMG, hosted the group for a formal Dinner at his residence.

The Scholars also joined with the new US Rhodes Scholars for a visit to the White House where they met with President Clinton (pictured below).



After their arrival in the UK, the 1999 Scholars were taken on a tour of the Houses of Parliament as part of their induction week. The tour was arranged through the kind offices of the British-American Parliamentary Group and Scholars met with two members of the Group – Mr David Marshall MP, (Labour) and Sir Peter Emery MP (Conservative) – for a ‘Question & Answer’ session. Mr Marshall and Sir Peter are pictured (front row, centre) with the group below.



SELECTION OF 2000 SCHOLARS

At the Commission meeting held in September 1999, consideration was given to the budget for financial year 2000/2001. Notwithstanding some uncertainty about the likely level of funding for the year, coupled with concern for the needs of those Scholars requiring a third year of support to complete a viable academic programme, the Commission agreed to recommend to the Ambassador’s Advisory Council that a full complement of up to 40 new awards should be offered for 2000.

The selection of the 2000 Scholars was completed at a meeting of the Advisory Council held in Washington DC on 6 December 1999. After the necessary places at British universities had been confirmed, the British Marshall Scholarships for 2000 were awarded as follows:

MID-ATLANTIC REGION

Scholar	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Ms Jacqueline D. Bass	West Virginia University	University of Birmingham	International Studies (pg)
Mr Robert R. Chenault	University of Chicago	Corpus Christi College, Oxford	Literae Humaniores (ug)
Ms Monica J. Grant	University of Kentucky	London School of Economics	Anthropology & Development (pg)
Ms Rebecca A. Hubbard	University of Pittsburgh	University of Edinburgh	Epidemiology (pg)
Ms Juliana R.D. Jay	Mount Holyoke College	University of Cardiff	Neuroscience (pg)
Ms Jessica T. Smithers	George Washington University	Magdalen College, Oxford	Human Sciences (ug)

MID-WESTERN REGION

Scholar	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Ms Megan A. McCarville	Northwestern University	London School of Economics	International Health Policy (pg)
Ms Letisha Y. Morgan	University of Minnesota	University of Warwick	Comparative Lit. (pg)
Ms Chavi K. Nana	Wellesley College	Nuffield College, Oxford	Development Studies (pg)
Mr Jay J. Sexton	University of Kansas	Worcester College, Oxford	Modern History (pg)
Ms Sarah A. Stewart	Miami University	London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine	Public Health in Developing Countries (pg)
Ms Katherine S.M. Wiik	Macalester College	Queen's University, Belfast	Comparative Ethnic Conflict (pg)

NORTH-EASTERN REGION

Scholar	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Ms Nisha S. Agarwal	Harvard University	St. Antony's College, Oxford	Development Studies (pg)
Mr Yehonnes S. Cleary	Columbia University	Balliol College, Oxford	PPE (ug)
Ms Khalilah I. Clelland	Fordham University	University of Sussex	English Literature (pg)
Mr Mark A. DePristo	Northwestern University	Hughes Hall, Cambridge	Neuroscience (ug)
Mr Aaron M. Einbond	Harvard University	Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge	Musical Composition (pg)
Mr David B. Haglund	University of Chicago	Balliol College, Oxford	English (pg)
Mr Andrew F. March	University of Pennsylvania	St. John's College, Oxford	Politics (pg)

SOUTH-EASTERN REGION

Scholar	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Mr Jonathan J. Cerrito	US Naval Academy	Wolfson College, Cambridge	History (ug)
Mr Michael N. Jacobsohn	Harvard University	St. Antony's College, Oxford	Russian & East European Studies (pg)
Mr S. Eben Kirksey	New College, University of South Florida	Wolfson College, Oxford	Social & Cultural Anthropology (pg)
Mr Bryan W. Leach	Harvard University	Magdalen College, Oxford	International Rel. (pg)
Mr David Roddenberry	Harvard University	University College London	Cognitive Neuropsychology (pg)
Mr Richard L. Weinberg	Columbia University	Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge	Chemistry (pg)

SOUTH-WESTERN REGION

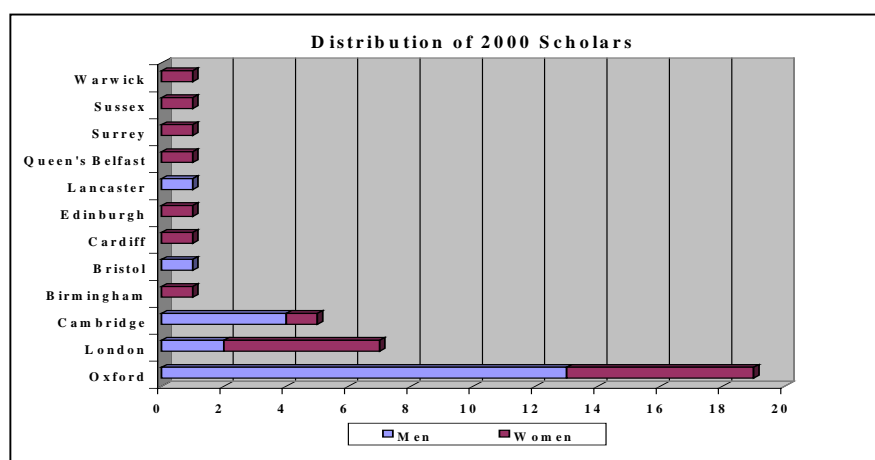
Scholar	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Ms Sarah C. Bagby	University of Chicago	Corpus Christi College, Oxford	Physiological Science ug)
Ms Melissa A. Cox	University of Tulsa	London School of Economics	Social Policy (pg)
Mr Thomas F. Miller	Texas A&M University	University College London	Chemistry (pg)
Ms Olivia S. Mitchell	US Air Force Academy	University of Surrey	Microsatellite Design (pg)
Mr Sujit M. Raman	Harvard University	University of Bristol	Sociology (pg)
Mr Alexander V. Rau	Cornell University	St. John's College, Oxford	Physics (pg)
Ms Laura C. Robson	Tulane University	Royal Academy of Music	Performance [Piano] (pg)
Mr Robert L. Ward	University of New Mexico	Merton College, Oxford	Maths & Computation ug)

WESTERN REGION

Scholar	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Mr Jacob M. Chacko	University of S. California	Christ Church, Oxford	PPE (ug)
Mr Jasper J. Chen	MIT	Brasenose College, Oxford	PPP (ug)
Ms Anne-Marie Oreskovich	Harvard University	Brasenose College, Oxford	Mathematical Biology pg)
Mr Geoffrey T. Painter	University of Portland	Lancaster University	Environmental & Ecological Sciences (pg)
Ms Susan M. Rea	Princeton University	Clare College, Cambridge	Materials Science (pg)
Mr Matthew J. Spence	Stanford University	New College, Oxford	International Rel. (pg)
Ms Avery T. Willis	Stanford University	Balliol College, Oxford	Greek & Latin Languages & Literature (pg)

The 2000 Scholars represent 29 different United States universities and colleges, a slight increase from the 1999 total of 28. Five institutions are appearing in the list for the first time – Macalester College, Miami University, New College-University of South Florida and the University of Portland. Nineteen of the Scholars are women and the number of scientists is 14. The group contains the first ‘second generation’ Marshall Scholar (Avery Willis’ father John was a 1963 Scholar and the first African-American to win an award). One of the Scholars is married and will be accompanied to the UK by his wife and son (the first Marshall Scholar to be accompanied by a child).

The group will take up their places at the start of academic year 2000/2001 as follows: 19 at Oxford, 5 at Cambridge, 7 in London, and one each at the Universities of Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Lancaster, Edinburgh, the Queen’s University of Belfast, Surrey, Sussex and Warwick. Thirty-one Scholars will read for higher degrees and 9 will be registered for Bachelor degrees or other preparatory courses.



SELECTION AND PLACEMENT POLICY

Once again the proportion of Scholars opting for universities other than Oxford, Cambridge and London, which declined in 1998, has risen. The Commission remains committed to a policy of trying to widen the spread of institutions for take-up of the awards, but, as stated in the past, this is not always compatible with selection of the best candidates and candidates are likely to opt for universities well known in the US.

THE AMBASSADOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE REGIONAL COMMITTEES

The Commission once again expresses its thanks to the distinguished members of the Advisory Council and the Regional Selection Committees in the United States who gave so generously of their time to the programme during the year. The Advisory Council met in Washington DC on 6 December 1999, under the chairmanship of HE The British Ambassador and the Chairman of the Commission. Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey and Professor Douglas Tallack attended as the Commission’s representatives.

Full details of the membership of the Advisory Council and of the Regional Committees, as at the date of the selection interviews for the 2000 awards, are given in Appendix I of this report.

MARSHALL SHERFIELD FELLOWSHIPS

The Marshall Sherfield Fellowship scheme, which was established in 1997 to mark the 50th Anniversary of the Marshall Plan, enables up to 2 American postdoctoral scientists and engineers to undertake a year of research at any British university or research institute. The Fellowships are named after Lord Sherfield (1904-1996) who was the main architect of the Marshall Scholarship programme in the 1950s and have been funded since 1997 by HM Government (FCO). From 2000, one of the Fellows will be funded by the FCO while the second and all subsequent Fellows will be maintained by the Marshall Sherfield Fellowship Foundation which is based in the US and whose President, Lord Sherfield's son Christopher Makins, is spear-heading a fund-raising campaign in the US and UK.

At the meeting of the Ambassador's Advisory Council held in Washington, DC, on 6 December 1999, 2 candidates were nominated for the award of post-doctoral Marshall Sherfield Fellowships tenable from October 2000. These nominations came after applications for the new Fellowships had been reviewed by a specially-appointed UK-based selection committee of scientific experts, and shortlisted candidates had been interviewed by a specially appointed committee in Washington DC.

Full details of the membership of the Sherfield selection committees are given in Appendix I of this report.

Of the 10 candidates who applied for a 2000 Fellowship, 6 were shortlisted for interview and the awards were made as follows:

Fellow	US Institution	UK Institution	Subject
Dr Bryan Huey	Stanford University/ University of Pennsylvania	University of Oxford	Engineering (Materials)
Dr Greg Smith	Centre College/ Duke University	University College London	Chemistry (Raman Microspectroscopy)

US PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 2000 – MARSHALL SCHOLARS' SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS



A series of public speaking engagements was arranged by Professor Douglas Tallack during the year under report to enable Marshall Scholars to discuss the US election process with a variety of audiences around the UK. Presentations have so far been made at the Universities of Swansea, Hull, Glasgow, Brunel, Leeds and Nottingham, as well as the Loreto School, Manchester. This new initiative has prompted positive responses from Scholars and institutions alike. It is anticipated that such speaking engagements will continue to be arranged, even beyond the US Presidential election year, and that a wider range of venues than just academic ones will be sought.

SCHOLARSHIP STIPENDS

HM Treasury revisions announced from 1 July 2000 resulted in increases to the allowances payable to Marshall Scholars as follows:- basic monthly living allowance from £565 to £580 (and from £678 to £696 for those registered at institutions within the London Metropolitan Police district); book allowance from £378 per annum for first year Scholars and £227 per annum for subsequent years to £389 and £233; marriage allowance from £282 to £290 per month. As a result of the stipend rate adjustments announced with effect from July 1999 the Commission revised the annual grant for approved research travel and the thesis grant from £175 to £180 per annum and from £235 to £237 per annum respectively in October 1999. The rates for these two grants will be further revised in October 2000 following the 2000 stipend increases announced above.

SECRETARIAT

The Commission continued the arrangement under which its Secretariat is provided by the Association of Commonwealth Universities, whose offices at 36 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PF, serve as its headquarters. The detailed work was undertaken by Ms Catherine Reive, Assistant Secretary, under the direction of the Secretary General of the Association, Professor Michael Gibbons, who was the Executive Secretary of the Commission, and by Ms Lisa Rothenberg, Administrative Assistant.

On behalf of the Commission

During the year under report, the Commission, as now required by EU legislation, put out to tender the contract for administering the Marshall Scholarship scheme (such tenders will be required every 3 years). Following the tendering process, the ACU was appointed to continue to provide services to the Commission for a further period of 3 years, commencing 1 July 2000.

Chairman

EXPENDITURE

The total expenditure of the Commission for the year ended 31 March 2000 was £1,650,874 of which £1,610,695 was designated for the British Marshall Scholarships scheme and £40,179 was designated for the Marshall Sherfield Fellowships scheme. A copy of the Account is attached at the end of this report (Appendix III). These figures will be scrutinised by the National Audit Office and, as provided by the Marshall Aid Commemoration Act 1953, the full accounts will be published separately and laid before Parliament.

Executive Secretary

30 November 2000

APPENDIX I

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION AND COMMITTEES

MARSHALL AID COMMEMORATION COMMISSION

Dr Robert Stevens (Chairman) [to 29 February 2000]
Mr Jonathan Taylor (Chairman) [from 1 March 2000]
Mr Graham Benson
Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey, Bt.
Dr Frances Dow
Hilary Heilbron, QC (Deputy Chairman)
Professor Richard Perham
Mrs Shahwar Sadeque
Ms Julia Somerville [resigned 24 January 2000]
Professor Douglas Tallack
Mr David Thomas, CMG

Education Committee

Dr Frances Dow (Chairman)
Professor Richard Perham
Mrs Shahwar Sadeque
Professor Douglas Tallack

Finance Committee

Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey, Bt. (Chairman)
Mr Graham Benson
Hilary Heilbron, QC
Mrs Shahwar Sadeque
Mr David Thomas, CMG

Marketing Strategy Committee

Ms Ann Lewis (Chairman)
Dr Frances Dow
Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey, Bt.
Hilary Heilbron, QC

Observers

Ms Ann Lewis, Head, Cultural Relations Dept., FCO [to April 2000]
Dr Michael Reilly, Head, Cultural Relations Dept., FCO [from April 2000]
Dr Thomas Halverson [from November 1999] (1989 Scholar)

Secretariat

Professor Michael Gibbons (Executive Secretary)
Ms Catherine Reive (Assistant Secretary)
Ms Lisa Rothenberg (Administrative Assistant)

ADVISORY COUNCIL IN WASHINGTON DC

(as at 6 December 1999)

HM Ambassador	Sir Christopher Meyer KCMG
Chairman, Marshall Commission Marshall Commission Marshall Commission	Dr Robert Stevens Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey, Bt. Professor Douglas Tallack
Chairman, Mid-Atlantic Region Chairman, Mid-Western Region Chairman, North-Eastern Region Chairman, South-Eastern Region Chairman, South-Western Region Chairman, Western Region	Mr Kenneth Bacon (1976 Scholar) Prof. James Shapiro (1964 Scholar) Prof. Linn Hobbs (1966 Scholar) Prof. Ted Leinbaugh (1975 Scholar) Mr Lanny Edwards (1968 Scholar) Mr Robert Gray (1971 Scholar)
President, Association of Marshall Scholars	Prof. Rein Uritam (1961 Scholar)
Independent Member Independent Member Independent Member	Mr Thomas Friedman (1975 Scholar) Professor Hanna Gray The Honorable Janet Yellen

REGIONAL COMMITTEES IN THE UNITED STATES

Mid-Atlantic Region

Mr Kenneth J. Bacon (1976 Scholar) (Chairman)
Professor Maria DiBattista
Ms Sheryll D. Cashin (1984 Scholar)
Dr Craig Schiffries (1980 Scholar)
Mr Matthew Rycroft (First Secretary, British Embassy, Washington DC)

Mid-Western Region

Professor James A. Shapiro (1964 Scholar) (Chairman)
Dr Kathryn Bretscher-Salter (1982 Scholar)
Mr D. Cameron Findlay (1982 Scholar)
Professor Katharine Hunt (1975 Scholar)
Professor Michele Moody-Adams (1978 Scholar)
Mr Robert Culshaw (Her Majesty's Consul-General in Chicago)

North-Eastern Region

Professor Linn W. Hobbs (1966 Scholar) (Chairman)
Dr Cheryl Foster (1986 Scholar)
Dr Joanna Lau
Mr Nicholas Mitropoulos
Mr George Fergusson (Her Majesty's Consul-General in Boston)

South-Eastern Region

Professor Ted H. Leinbaugh (1975 Scholar) (Chairman)
Dr Nancy Newman (1978 Scholar)
Ms Mary Susan Rosenbaum
Dr Jeff Rosensweig (1979 Scholar)
Mr Peter Marshall CBE (Her Majesty's Consul-General in Atlanta)

South-Western Region

Mr E. Lanny Edwards OBE (1968 Scholar) (Chairman)
Dr Marjorie Corcoran
Professor James Galbraith (1974 Scholar)
Professor James Harner
Mr Peter Bacon (Her Majesty's Consul-General in Houston)

Western Region

Mr Robert Gray (1971 Scholar) (Chairman)
Dr Peggy Norton
Professor Geoffrey Pullum
Ms Marilyn E. Solomon
Mr Mike Frost LVO (Her Majesty's Consul-General in San Francisco)

MARSHALL SHERFIELD SELECTION COMMITTEES

United Kingdom

Professor Richard Perham (Chairman)
Dr Douglas Davis
Professor Michael Gibbons
Sir David Harrison
Professor Brian Roberts
Professor Joan Walsh

United States

Dr Robert Stevens (Chairman)
Mr David Blagbrough
Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey, Bt.
Professor Michael Gibbons
Mr Christopher Makins
Professor Douglas Tallack
Mr Christopher Whaley (Science Counsellor, British Embassy, Washington DC)

APPENDIX II

MARSHALL SCHOLARS GRADUATING AT BRITISH UNIVERSITIES SINCE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

Name, Year & Region	UK Institution	Degree Obtained
Mr Daniel J. Adamson (SE, 1998)	Mansfield/Keble College, Oxford	MPhil Politics
Mr Ramy A. Arnaout (NE, 1997)	Hertford College, Oxford	DPhil Mathematical Biology [Tenure completed 1999]
Ms Signe G. Balch (MW, 1994)	St. John's College, Oxford	DPhil Pathology [Tenure completed 1997]
Mr Sewell Chan (NE, 1998)	Merton College, Oxford	MPhil Politics
Mr Guang-Ien Cheng (MA, 1998)	St. John's College, Cambridge	BA English (Class I)
Mr Saj. Cherian (MA, 1997)	Lincoln College, Oxford	MPhil European Politics & Soc. [Tenure completed 1999]
Ms Genevieve Kruger (née Crane) (S, 1996)	Institute of Neurology, London	MPhil Drug Delivery Research [Tenure completed 1998]
Mr Rajit Dosanjh (W, 1994)	University of Edinburgh	PhD English [Tenure completed 1997]
Ms Annmarie S. Drury (SW, 1998)	School of Oriental & African Studies, London	MA Comparative Literature (Distinction)
Mr R. Bradley Gray (SE, 1998)	Brasenose College, Oxford	BA Economics & Management (Class II.i)
Mr R. Lane Greene (S, 1997)	St. Antony's College, Oxford	MPhil European Politics & Soc. [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Brian J. Hesse (MW, 1996)	London School of Economics	PhD International Relations [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Sridhar G. Iyengar (S, 1995)	Girton College, Cambridge	PhD Biotechnology [Tenure completed 1998]
Mr Ramesh O. Johari (MW, 1998)	Trinity College, Cambridge	Part III Mathematics Tripos
Mr Jon D. Michaels (NE, 1998)	Worcester College, Oxford	BA Philosophy, Politics & Economics (Class II.i)
Mr Jeffrey B. Miller (MW, 1997)	Imperial College, London Pembroke College, Cambridge	MSc Semiconductor Science & Technology (1998) MPhil Statistics (1999) [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Andrew M. Neitzke (MA, 1998)	Trinity College, Cambridge	Part III Mathematics Tripos

Name, Year & Region	UK Institution	Degree Obtained
Mr Benjamin Z. Novick (MW, 1996)	Christ Church & Merton College, Oxford	DPhil Modern History [Tenure completed 1999]
Ms Shani Offen (NE, 1997)	St. John's College, Oxford	MSc Neuroscience (Distinction) [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Clifford O.G. Ohl (MA, 1996)	The Queen's College, Oxford	DPhil Engineering Science [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Jonathan M. Peck (MA, 1996)	University of Sussex	MPhil Media & Cultural Stud. [Tenure completed 1998]
Ms Alison E. Post (W, 1998)	London School of Economics	MSc Regional & Urban Planning (Distinction)
Ms Kim N. Reed (W, 1997)	University of Reading Imperial College, London	MSc International Security Studies (1998) MBA (1999) [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Ben Y. Reis (MA, 1996)	Queens' College, Cambridge	PhD Computer Science [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Warwick Sabin (SW, 1998)	Brasenose College, Oxford	BA Philosophy, Politics & Economics (Class II.ii)
Mr Jose D. Salinas (MA, 1997)	University of Hertfordshire	MSc Automotive Engineering, Design, Manufacture & Managt [Tenure completed 1999]
Ms Sylvia Sellers-Garcia (NE, 1989)	St. Antony's College, Oxford	MPhil Latin American Studies
Ms Debra L. Shulman (MA, 1997)	Magdalen College, Oxford	MPhil International Relations [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr David B. Silva (NE, 1997)	King's College, London Christ Church, Oxford	MA Philosophy (1998) MBA (1999) [Tenure completed 1999]
Ms Jennifer Spande (née Pleuss) (MW, 1997)	New College, Oxford	MPhil International Relations [Tenure completed 1999]
Ms Gabriela Teodorescu (S, 1997)	London School of Economics Christ Church, Oxford	MSc Russian & Post-Soviet Studies (1998) MSc Economic & Social History (1999) [Tenure completed 1999]
Mr Jeffrey W. Tompkins (SE, 1998)	Brasenose College, Oxford	BA Philosophy, Politics & Economics (Class II.i)
Ms Aisha E. Williams (MA, 1998)	St. Antony's College, Oxford	MSc Economics for Development
Mr Robert W. Yeh (W, 1997)	London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine Merton College, Oxford	MSc Health Policy, Planning & Finance (1998) MBA (Distinction) (1999) [Tenure completed 1999]

APPENDIX III

MARSHALL AID COMMEMORATION COMMISSION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 March 2000

	Notes	Year to 31.3.00 £	Previous Year £
HMG grants received from the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (Class VII, Vote 1, 1999/00, Subhead A4)	2	1,667,883.54	1,623,844
Other Operating Payments	3	A+B 1,650,873.95	1,630,014
Excess of receipts over payments/(payments over receipts)		<u>17,009.59</u>	<u>(6,170)</u>

STATEMENT OF BALANCES AS AT 31 MARCH 2000

	Bank & Cash	Bank & Cash
Balance at beginning of financial year	7,504.19	13,674
Add/(less) excess of receipts over payments/(payments over receipts) for the financial year	17,009.59	(6,170)
Balance at end of financial year	<u>24,513.78</u>	<u>7,504</u>

**The notes below form part of these Accounts
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

- These accounts are drawn up in a form directed by the Secretary of State, and approved by the Treasury
- Of this amount £42,662.15 was designated for the Marshall Sherfield Fellowships

3. Other Operating Payments	Sherfield Fellowships	Marshall Scholarships	
Scholars' stipends, book allowances, travel allowances and tuition fees	30,616.70	1,347,517.30	1,364,620
Travel and subsistence for Scholars, candidates to interviews and Advisory Committees	2,969.93	92,173.80	90,648
Administration fee to the ACU	4,096.00	113,574.33	113,690
Postage	105.48	6,146.36	5,785
Printing & Stationery	2,022.65	8,734.86	19,946
Audit Fee	-	3,200.00	3,100
Bank Charges	-	23.00	7
Entertainment of Scholars & Hospitality	117.28	14,363.65	11,883
Commission Travel	-	11,092.17	17,740
Miscellaneous	251.28	13,869.16	2,595
Total Operating Payments	A <u>40,179.32</u>	B <u>1,610,694.63</u>	<u>1,630,014</u>

(The comparative figures for the previous year include Marshall Sherfield expenditure totalling £33,706)

4. Balances at Year End			
Cash at bank		24,173.78	6,824
Cash lodged with Colleges (caution money)		340.00	680
		<u>24,513.78</u>	<u>7,504</u>