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Proposal  
for a Grant  
for a

**SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND DIPLOMACY FELLOWS PROGRAM**

to cover the program years

- September 1, 1990 - August 31, 1991
- September 1, 1991 - August 31, 1992
- September 1, 1992 - August 31, 1993
- September 1, 1993 - August 31, 1994
- September 1, 1994 - August 31, 1995

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the program have been implemented following extensive discussions with AID representatives. Extensions of fellowships for short periods have been requested and approved on occasion in previous years. In addition, on an experimental basis, we made available, beginning with the 1988-89 Fellows, an optional one-year renewal of fellowships in cases where the Fellow and the bureau to which he/she is assigned mutually request renewal. Details regarding this were worked out by AAAS and AID representatives in close collaboration. The policy document covering stipends (contained in Appendix 3) also spells out the details of both extensions and renewals. Although not formally evaluated, the experiment with renewals appears to have been generally successful, meeting particular needs of both Fellows and their offices.

#### H. Annual Report

In order to more easily build a documentary history and to provide a accessible summary of the Diplomacy Fellows Program, AAAS plans to prepare an annual report for the program. Its appearance would be highly professional and visually engaging. It need not be a large document, but at a minimum it would include a description and history of the program, a brief sketch of its history, a list of the year's Fellows and where they worked, and the program's impact on the agency. It might even include articles on the program that have appeared elsewhere. An annual report would have a wide range of uses, including promotion and recruiting.

#### I. Program Evaluation

In 1992-93, to coincide with the 10th anniversary of AID's participation in the Science, Engineering and Diplomacy Fellowship Program, AAAS will arrange a program evaluation, possibly utilizing outside consultants. Funding for this evaluation will be included in the budget amendment for the 1992-93 fellowship program.

#### J. Overseas Fellows

Discussions have been held periodically regarding a next logical step of the Diplomacy Fellows program, namely, extension of the opportunity for service by Fellows to AID's missions overseas. There is consensus between AAAS and the Science Advisor's Office regarding several features of such a program: (1) candidates should be current or former AID Diplomacy Fellows; (2) they should serve in a post for at least one and possibly two years; and (3) the mentor relationship would be at least as important in such overseas posts as it is in AID/Washington. AAAS's role in such a program would be analogous to that in the current program -- conducting a selection and placement of the new Fellows, and overseeing all administrative arrangements. Although preliminary efforts have been made by the Science Advisor's Office to identify a post that meets these qualifications and has an active interest in hosting a Fellow under the above circumstances, such a site has not been located as of this writing. Working with the Science Advisor's Office, AAAS

will actively pursue the development of an overseas fellowship program. The costs of developing and operating such a program will be included in a budget amendment. The current proposal contains no funds for this purpose.

#### IV. AAAS ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF

The Science, Engineering and Diplomacy Fellows Program will be managed by AAAS staff located in the Directorate for Science and Policy Programs (S&PP) and the Directorate for International Programs (IP). S&PP is headed by Dr. Albert H. Teich; the Acting Director of IP, pending selection of a permanent director, is Dr. W. Thomas Wander. Their biographical sketches are attached (see Appendix 9.) Operation of the program involves the following persons.

Stephen D. Nelson, Manager of Science Policy Studies within S&PP, is the current director of the program. Sandra Burns, currently Acting Assistant Director of IP, assists in programmatic and thematic direction. Claudia Sturges is current Senior Program Associate. Eric Fowler is current Staff Finance Officer. Jennifer Taylor is current Program Assistant.

Biographical information for operational staff is also enclosed as Appendix 9. AID will be consulted in the event of any changes in key program personnel.

Earlier sections of this proposal have indicated administrative responsibilities of AAAS in (1) promotion and recruitment of candidates, (2) managing the selection of new Fellows, (3) overseeing the placement of new Fellows, (4) arranging a two-week orientation program, and (5) coordinating a seminar and social program. Throughout the full year AAAS provides financial management and overall administrative and consultative services to the Fellows and to AID. A critical component of this administration is management of the Fellows' stipends and travel arrangements.

Any additional needs for the fellowship program that arise during the course of this grant, but are not discussed within the grant text, shall be subject to discussion between AAAS and AID. If such programmatic needs require additional funding, the budget will be amended accordingly.

#### V. AAAS QUALIFICATIONS

The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) is the world's largest federation of scientific and engineering societies. Its almost 300 affiliated organizations span all fields of the physical sciences, social sciences, and engineering. They range in size from the small disciplinary societies and state academies of science to international scientific and engineering organizations of well over 100,000 members. Its affiliate structure gives AAAS connection to approximately seven million science professionals and others interested in science and engineering.