TITLE VI OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT Part B - BUSINESS AND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

FINDINGS AND PURPOSES

Sec. 611 (a) The Congress finds that-

- (1) the future economic welfare of the United States will depend substantially on increasing international skills in the business community and creating an awareness among the American public of the internationalization of our economy;
- (2) concerted efforts are necessary to engage business schools, language and area study programs, public and private sector organizations, and United States business in a mutually productive relationship which benefits the Nation's future economic interest:
- (3) few linkages presently exist between the manpower and information needs of United States business and the international education, language training and research capacities of institutions of higher education in the United States, and public and private organizations; and
- (4) organizations such as world trade councils, world trade clubs, chambers of commerce and State departments of commerce are not adequately used to link universities and business for joint venture exploration and program development.

(b) It is the purpose of this part-

- (1) to enhance the broad objective of this Act by increasing and promoting the Nation's capacity for international understanding and economic enterprise through the provision of suitable international education and training for business personnel in various stages of professional development; and
- (2) to promote institutional and noninstitutional educational and training activities that will contribute to the ability of United States business to prosper in an international economy.

SEC. 613 EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

(a) **PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.**-The Secretary shall make grants to, and enter into contracts with, institutions of higher education to pay the Federal share of the cost of programs designed to promote linkages between such

institutions and the American business community engaged in international economic activity. Each program assisted under this part shall both enhance the international academic programs of institutions of higher education and provide appropriate services to the business community which will expand its capacity to engage in commerce abroad.

- **(b) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.-**Eligible activities to be conducted by institutions of higher education under this section shall include,
 - (1) innovation and improvement in international education curricula to serve the needs of the business community, including development of new programs for nontraditional, mid-career, or part-time students;
 - (2) development of programs to inform the public of increasing international economic interdependence and the role of American business within the international economic system;
 - (3) internationalization of curricula at the junior and community college level, and at undergraduate and graduate schools of business;
 - (4) development of areas studies programs and interdisciplinary international programs;
 - (5) establishment of export education programs through cooperative arrangements with regional and world trade centers and councils, and with bilateral and multilateral trade associations;
 - (6) research for and development of specialized teaching materials, including language materials, and facilities appropriate to business-oriented students;
 - (7) establishment of student and faculty fellowships and internships for training and education in international business activities;
 - (8) development of opportunities for junior business and other professional school faculty to acquire or strengthen international skills and perspectives;

- (9) development of research programs on issues of common interest to institutions of higher education and private sector organizations and associations engaged in or promoting international economic activity;
- (10) the establishment of internships overseas to enable foreign language students to develop their foreign language skills and knowledge of foreign cultures and societies.
- (11) the establishment of linkages overseas with institutions of higher education and organizations that contribute to the educational objectives of this section; and
- (12) summer institutes in international business, foreign area and other international studies designed to carry out the purposes of this section.
- (c) APPLICANTS.-No grant may be made and no contact may be entered into under the provisions of this part unless an institution of higher education submits an application at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may reasonably require. Each such application shall be accompanies by a copy of the agreement entered into by the institution of higher education with a business enterprise, trade organization or association engaged in international economic activity, or a combination or consortium of such enterprises, organizations or associations, for the purpose of establishing, developing, improving or expanding activities eligible for assistance under subsection (b) of this section. Each such application shall contain assurances that the institution of higher education will use the assistance provided under this part to supplement and not to supplant activities conducted by institutions of higher education described in subsection (b).
- (d) **FEDERAL SHARE**.-The Federal share under this part for each fiscal year shall not exceed 50 per centum of the cost of such program.