

AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION



COALITION FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

October 26, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the House-Senate Conference Committee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education FY 2008 Appropriations

FROM: The Coalition for International Education

RE: FY 2008 Funding for International Education and Foreign Language Studies: HEA-Title VI and Fulbright-Hays 102(b)(6)

As you prepare to finalize the Labor-HHS-Education FY 2008 appropriations bill, the Coalition for International Education urges the Senate to recede to the House and adopt the increases provided in the House bill for Title VI, International Education Programs, and its complementary overseas program, Fulbright-Hays 102(b)(6).

The House bill provides a total of \$115.651 million for these programs, a \$9.9 million or 9.4 percent increase over FY 2007 funding. The Senate bill provides level funding.

Renewing the infusion of funds into Title VI/Fulbright-Hays that Congress began four years ago will help ensure that international and foreign language expertise is readily available to the nation when needed.

Thank you for your consideration of our views.

On behalf of:

Alliance for International Educational and Cultural Exchange
American Association of Community Colleges
American Association of State Colleges and Universities
American Council on Education
American Councils for International Education: ACTR/ACCELS
American Political Science Association
American University of Beirut
Association for Asian Studies
Association for International Business Education and Research
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Association of International Education Administrators

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Council of Directors of National Foreign Language Resource Centers

Council of Directors of National Resource Centers

Middle East Studies Association

National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges

National Humanities Alliance

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