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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 265885

ADOPTED ON JUN 2 1986

WHEREAS, Deputy Mayor Ed Struiksma issued a memorandum, dated May 26, 1986, to the members of the City Council and the City Manager regarding the assignment of a Foreign Service Office to the Department of Binational Affairs; and

WHEREAS, said assignment is made by the U.S. State Department upon submission and approval of a formal application and a commitment to defray support costs, all other costs being paid by the State Department; and

WHEREAS, this position may be used for specific job responsibilities agreed on by the State Department and the City; and

WHEREAS, the State Department is particularly interested in assigning officers to positions which offer challenge and deal with important domestic issues; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the City Manager be and he is hereby directed to submit a formal application to the U.S. State Department, with a detailed job description, for the assignment of a Foreign Service Officer (economic development specialist) under the "Pearson Program," as more fully described in the May 26, 1986 memorandum appended hereto as Attachment A, for the purpose of working with the Department of Binational Affairs.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is directed to identify a funding source for the required commitment by The City of San Diego of \$9,000 to defray support costs involved.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

By Jack Katz  
Jack Katz, Chief Deputy

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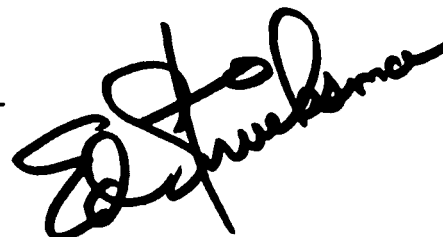
MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 26, 1986

TO: City Manager Sy Murray and  
Members of the San Diego City Council

FROM: Deputy Mayor Ed Struiksma

SUBJECT: Foreign Service Officer Assignment  
to Department of Binational Affairs



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Since 1976, the United States Department of State has offered to state and local governments the opportunity to apply for special domestic assignment of Foreign Service Officers through what is known as the "Pearson Program."

The "Pearson Program" has two major objectives:

- (1) to allow state and local governments the experience and expertise of Foreign Service Officers; and
- (2) to permit mid-career Foreign Service Officers to become acquainted with important domestic issues.

I believe San Diego is now in a unique position to qualify for this program. With our recent approval of the Department of Binational Affairs, specifically emphasizing a stronger relationship with Mexico and joint efforts to solve mutual problems, I have been in contact with the United States Department of State regarding the possibility of San Diego acting as a host city for the Pearson Program. Our initial inquiries into San Diego becoming a beneficiary of this program have been very favorably received.

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ATTACHMENT A

To provide you with background information, following is a brief summary of the program:

Type of Assistance

The Foreign Service Officer may be used for specific job responsibilities agreed on by the State Department and host organization. The Department of State is particularly interested in assigning officers to positions which offer challenge and deal with important domestic issues.

Qualifications of Officers

Officers selected for this program have usually completed at least seven years of foreign service, are skilled in diplomacy, and have had considerable experience in dealing with the public.

Program Accomplishments

Other communities in California currently taking advantage of the Pearson Program and the scope of their assignments are as follows:

City of Merced - Refugee problems.

City of  
San Francisco - Broad range of international issues.

Cabrillo Community - Increased awareness of international  
College Aptos affairs.

The State Department's Bureau of Personnel reports very  
successful results by the host organization.

#### Scope of Assignment

Foreign service work involves the functions of representing,  
reporting, and negotiating on economic, political, consular, and  
administrative affairs.

#### Cost

As a designated host, The City of San Diego would be asked to  
reimburse the State Department \$9,000 annually. The Department  
of State will continue to pay the officer's full salary and  
benefits as well as the costs of moving expenses to and from the  
assignment location. Support costs during the course of the  
assignment will be the responsibility of the host organization,  
i.e., clerical, office space, etc.

#### Timetable

The schedule outlined by the State Department is:

Summer 1986	Worldwide notification to Foreign Service Officers of available position.
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Timetable (Continued)

November 1986	Final job description submitted.
December 1986	Opportunity for Foreign Service Officers to bid on position.
March 1987	Selection by Department of State of qualified applicant.
Summer 1987	Assignment to San Diego.

Performance Evaluation

The host organization would be obligated to ensure that an annual Performance Evaluation is prepared for the Pearson officer and submitted to the State Department's Training and Liaison Staff.

We are now at the stage in the award process which requires the City of San Diego to formalize.

The potential for tremendous benefits, especially expertise in the area of economic development, upgrading the level of international awareness in our community, and providing a direct link to the State Department which would enable us to discuss pressing binational issues, indicates that San Diego would be well served in pursuing this assistance program.

I will be seeking Council approval at next week's meeting to ask the City Manager to submit a formal application to the State Department with a detailed job description for an economic development specialist and to identify a funding source for the \$9,000 commitment by the City of San Diego.

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Passed and adopted by the Council of The City of San Diego on JUN 2 1986,  
by the following vote:

Councilmen	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Ineligible
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Mayor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> VACANT

AUTHENTICATED BY:

ED STRUIKSMA  
Deputy Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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CHARLES G. ABDELNOUR  
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Ellen Boward, Deputy.

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