

## **RESPONSE TO PETITION**

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PETITION No.: 421-01005

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PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY: SIGNED BY THE HONOURABLE SCOTT BRISON

Response by the President of the Treasury Board

**SIGNATURE** 

Minister or Parliamentary Secretary

**SUBJECT** 

**Foreign Students** 

## **ORIGINAL TEXT**

## REPLY

The Government of Canada is committed to a culturally-diverse public service in a multi-cultural society. We recognize that our country is stronger and our government more effective when the public service reflects Canada's diversity.

Work is currently being undertaken in the federal public service to foster a diverse and inclusive workforce, including the establishment of a Joint Union/Management Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion. The Government will share with the Task Force the suggestion of a study on improving mechanisms to allow more qualified international students to gain work experience in the public sector. This may form a part of their considerations in the development of a long-term strategy and principles on diversity and inclusion in the federal public service.