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Dear Sir or Madam:

The Protection Project, at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, is pleased to offer ***The Protection Project International Human Rights Fellowship Program***. The purpose of the program is to provide the research fellow with a thorough academic and professional experience in the field of human rights with the goal of promoting multi-level leadership and support for human rights values in targeted countries around the world.

The Protection Project is a human rights research institute whose main focus is the promotion of human rights values throughout the world, addressing issues of trafficking in persons and child labor, human rights education, woman's empowerment, state compliance with international human rights, and capacity building for civil society in developing countries.

Applicants need to show dedication and a strong interest in promoting human rights values in their home countries. The fellow selected will work at our office in Washington, DC. He/she will be responsible for conducting seminars, writing a policy paper reflecting the work done with the Protection Project, and various project relating to the promotion of human rights values.

The Protection Project International Human Rights Fellowship will be available for a three-month term, from January to March of 2005. The deadline for applications is on August 30, 2004. Enclosed is an outline of the terms and requirements of the fellowship. We appreciate your dissemination of this information to organizations or institutions that may propose prospective candidates.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mohamed Y. Mattar
The Protection Project
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The Protection Project Background: The Protection Project is a human rights research institute based at The Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, D.C. The Protection Project focuses on promoting human rights values throughout the world by engaging in academic research and conducting training, exchange, and fellowship programs focusing on issues of trafficking in persons and child labor, human rights education, women's empowerment, state compliance with internationally recognized human rights and capacity building for civil society in developing and transition countries.

Purpose of the Fellowship: The Protection Project International Human Rights Fellowship is designed to provide for a rigorous academic and professional experience in the field of human rights for the purpose of fostering both grassroots and government level leadership and support for the promotion of human rights values in targeted countries throughout the world. The fellowship will be awarded to outstanding non-U.S. citizens currently working either for a non-governmental organization or a government agency outside the United States and who exhibit a concerned interest in and commitment to furthering a respect for human rights values in their home countries.

The fellowship recipient will be responsible for a number of projects related to the promotion of human rights values. The fellow would have the task of conducting some events such as brown bag lunches or seminars. Such events would be focused on their area of research interest. The fellow would also have the responsibility of writing a policy paper. This paper should reflect a concrete outcome that the fellow has attained during his/her time in Washington, D.C.

The fellow will have the opportunity to establish professional contacts in the field of human rights and to develop collaborative research and professional relationships by participating in the daily activities of The Protection Project and by taking advantage of access to a wide variety of activities taking place in Washington D.C. at various academic institutions, governmental, non-governmental, and international organizations. The research fellow will be able to participate in conferences, seminars and workshops held by leading institutions in the field of human rights.



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By conducting research and pursuing interests in a completely new and different environment, the fellow will return to her/his home country professionally invigorated and with a broadened perspective on issues of the research fellows' interests within the broader international human rights agenda, and having acquired the knowledge and professional skills to engage in effective human rights promotion within their organizations and beyond.

Terms of the Fellowship: The Protection Project at the Johns Hopkins University-School of Advance International Studies will award the Fellowship for a three-month term from January to March 2005.

The fellowship will cover housing, round trip airfare and provide a minimal monthly stipend for the research fellow. The fellowship will not cover travel beyond the initial airfare; personal expenditures, or other costs incurred during the fellowship.

Candidates who are interested in bringing family members to the United States are urged to investigate the cost of living, housing and transportation for their dependents. All costs for dependents' travel, housing and transportation are the responsibility of the fellow.

Modest supplemental health insurance coverage will be provided only to the fellow. Insurance will not be provided to the candidate's dependents. Passport and visa fees are also the responsibility of the candidate.

Fellowship participants will be required to submit a final report and an evaluation of the fellowship program.

Eligibility Requirements: In order to be considered for The Protection Project International Human Rights Fellowship, a candidate must:

- Be a citizen of a country other than the United States.
- Be fluent in English (both oral and written)
- Hold at least a Bachelor's degree, or the equivalent thereof. Candidates holding a Masters degree or doctorate, or the equivalent thereof, are preferred.
- Fulfill all of the United States visa requirements.

Application Instructions and Deadline: a candidate must

- Enclose a CV
- Copies of academic degrees





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- Enclose one passport photo.
- Enclose two letters of reference, translated into English, from supervisors or professors or others as appropriate.
- Submit a detailed statement of purpose outlining interest in The Protection Project's

International Fellowship Program and the goals the candidate hopes to achieve by participating in the program.

- Provide contact information, including an accurate email address and fax number.

Candidate applications for the 2004-2005 academic year must be received by August 30, 2004. Applicants not recommended for participation in the program will be notified of their status by September 30, 2004.

All items should be sent by regular mail to the following address:

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