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The proposed mobility program, north2north, is intended to intensify the sharing of educational resources around the Arctic, to provide opportunities for educational mobility to traditionally underrepresented student populations, and to enhance human and social capacity building in the Arctic. The program will fund student exchanges between member institutions of the University of the Arctic.

The program was launched by the Finnish Minister of Education at the University of the Arctic Launch held in June 2001 in Rovaniemi. The Finnish Ministry of Education had decided to allocate 500 000 FIM (appr. 80 000 USD) annually to the development and implementation of the program for a three year period 2002-2004. At the previous SAO Meeting also in June in Rovaniemi, Finland requested the participation of other member states of the Arctic Council to participate in the program. Sweden then announced its participation in the preparation to the scheme.

Subsequently, in October 2001, Minister of Education, Maija Rask, sent a letter to other ministers of education around the Arctic and called for the participation of all arctic governments in north2north. In order to start the implementation of the program, Finland would like to hear about the commitment of the other arctic states as soon as possible in order to start the piloting of north2north in 2002.

For the purpose of establishing the first exchanges in the academic year 2002-2003, Finland will organize a clearing house meeting in April 2002 to those countries that have confirmed their participation in and financial support to the program. The parties to be invited to the meeting from these countries are the interested University of the Arctic institutions, the national agencies or other organizations involved in the management of the program in the respective countries, and the members of the Program Development Team of the UArctic Circumpolar Mobility Program. In order to have enough time to make all the necessary preparations for the meeting, Finland requests the response of all the member states to the letter of the Minister of Education by the end of the year 2001. In their response, the countries are also requested to identify a national coordinating agency for the program in order to facilitate proper program implementation.

Before the clearing house meeting, promotional material and application packages for the program will be prepared by the University of the Arctic Coordination Office. The Office has also produced a tentative budget for the participation of the arctic states in north2north as a part of the draft UArctic overall budget. Professor Oran Young, Chair of the University of the Arctic Board of Governors is with us here and available for discussion on the draft budget.