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Good News For Gappers: 2,000 Extra Canada Working Holiday Permits Released For 2017

Gap travellers aged 18 to 30 and hoping to head to Canada for a working holiday in 2017 will be pleased to learn that the Canadian High Commission has just added 2,000 additional IEC (International Experience Canada) work permits to its annual quota for UK citizens. BUNAC offers a Work Canada support programme to guide candidates through the application process for these highly sought-after permits and assist them with every aspect of a successful working holiday in Canada.

Canada offers a multitude of summer and winter seasonal job opportunities, particularly in the mountainous landscapes of the Rockies. BUNAC will be hosting its first ever Work Canada Ultimate Job Fair in London on 11th and 12th August 2017, for candidates with a confirmed IEC permit. The prestigious Panorama Mountain Resort, Four Seasons Resort Whistler and Blue Mountain Resort will be hiring front desk agents, snowmakers, ski concierges and more.

For further details call BUNAC on 0333 999 7516 or visit the website, www.bunac.org/uk.

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Note to editors: according to the Government of Canada website, <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/work/iec/index.asp?country=uk> there are currently (as of 28 July 2017) 5,153 candidates in the UK pool for IEC work permits and 838 spots available, so the chances of receiving an invitation to apply for a work permit in 2017 are still low, although relatively higher since the 2,000 extra permits were added to the quota. BUNAC reports that a significant number of its Work Canada applicants have been granted invitations to apply in the last few days.