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For Immediate Release:

New scholarship for Israeli graduates to study animal welfare science in the UK

A new scholarship scheme has been introduced by the UK-based Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) SAWI Fund to enable graduates in Israel to undertake postgraduate courses in the UK relevant to animal welfare science.

The UFAW SAWI Fund promotes animal welfare in Israel through support of research, educational initiatives and other projects aimed at improving understanding of animals' needs and how best these can be met. Formerly the Society for Animal Welfare in Israel, SAWI was brought within UFAW, a UK registered charity, in 2003 to become the UFAW SAWI Fund for promoting animal welfare in Israel.

Under the new scholarship scheme, the UFAW SAWI fund will consider meeting the costs of travel, accommodation, living expenses and tuition fees to enable veterinary, agriculture or other biological science graduates in Israel to undertake postgraduate courses relevant to animal welfare science for up to one year in the UK.

Further details about the scholarships and about the work of the UFAW SAWI Fund can be seen at www.ufaw.org.uk, or you can contact UFAW on 01582 831818, email ufaw@ufaw.org.uk

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Note to Editors:

The Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is an internationally recognised, independent scientific and educational animal welfare charity. It works to improve knowledge and understanding of animals' needs in order to achieve high standards of welfare for farm, companion, research, captive wild animals and those with which we interact in the wild.

UFAW improves animal welfare worldwide through its programme of awards, grants and scholarships; by educational initiatives, especially at university and college level; by providing information in books, videos, reports and in its scientific journal *Animal Welfare*; by providing expert advice to governments and others, including for legislation and 'best practice' guidelines and codes; and by working with animal keepers, scientists, vets, lawyers and all those who care about animals.

This work relies on the support of members, subscribers and donors.

The Society for Animal Welfare in Israel (SAWI) was founded in 1958 by Miss Marguerite Silverman MRCVS, a veterinarian living in the UK, following a visit to Israel the previous year. In due course SAWI became a UK registered charity (No 206494). In January 1987, at Miss Silverman's request, the UFAW Council took over responsibility for SAWI.

On 7th October 2003, following discussions with Miss Silverman and consultation with the SAWI membership and the Charity Commission, SAWI was brought within UFAW to become the UFAW SAWI Fund for promoting animal welfare in Israel. This was done to enable the further development of SAWI activities under the umbrella of UFAW's limited liability (SAWI had been an unincorporated association).

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