

## **Pictures: US Ambassador Wants a Strengthened Greenland Economy**

*On Monday, the U.S. Ambassador to Denmark, Rufus Gifford, met with young students who have ties with USA, to hear their opinion on US-Greenland relations.*

Rufus Gifford, the U.S. Ambassador to Denmark, is eager to create good contact between the U.S. and Greenland, and the rest of the Arctic.

Therefore, on Monday he invited students especially, who've either gone or are going to the U.S., for dialogue. The event took place in Katuaq's "Venskabssal" in Nuuk.

Rufus Gifford in particular interested to know, what he and his Embassy in Copenhagen could do better for Greenlanders.

The Ambassador said, that the U.S. has an interest in strengthening Greenland's economy for the benefit of both Greenland and the U.S. He mentioned tourism as one of the areas that the U.S. will take part in, when strengthening Greenland.

Rufus Gifford wants Greenlandic university students to go to American universities to study, and he also wants American students to go to Greenland. According to the Ambassador, you learn in the best way possible by going to other countries to study, because you get to know the culture of the other country at the same time.

The meeting came to treat the subject of strengthening cooperation and contact between the U.S. and Greenland in particular. The U.S. has a growing interest in Greenland, Rufus Gifford said on the meeting.

Tuesday, Rufus Gifford will be going on a tour in the Godthaab fiord with the Arctic Commando, and talk about the Search and Rescue-collaboration amongst other subjects, before flying to Kangerlussuaq. Wednesday he will visit the American science station Summit Camp on the top of the ice cap.

### **Picture texts:**

**1:** *Rufus Gifford's visit to Nuuk caught the attention of Greenlandic media. Here the Ambassador is interviewed by KNR.*

**2:** *Students Nils Skovgaard, Aviaja Lyberth Hauptman and Daniel Lyberth Hauptman in dialogue with the U.S. Ambassador in Copenhagen Rufus Gifford. Nils and Aviaja are going to Berkeley, California as exchange students.*

**3:** *The Ambassador went around the room and talked to the approx. 15 students who participated in the meeting, and who either had or were going to the U.S.*

**4:** *The Ambassador was, amongst other things, interested to know how the Greenlandic population viewed the U.S. and Americans.*

**5:** *The Ambassador also wanted to know, if Greenlandic youth have a growing interest in studying in the U.S.*