



# Millennium Challenge Corporation

Reducing Poverty Through Growth

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### **Millennium Challenge Corporation CEO Paul Applegarth To Travel to Benin, Madagascar, and Mali November 14-23**

Paul Applegarth, CEO of Millennium Challenge Corporation, will travel to Benin, Madagascar, and Mali on November 14-23. These countries are among sixteen that were selected to apply for both FY 2004 and FY 2005 Millennium Challenge Account funding as a recognition of their performance in the areas of ruling justly, investing in people, and promoting economic freedom.

While traveling, Mr. Applegarth plans to observe first-hand development possibilities in each country, as he meets with government officials and with members of the private sector and non-governmental organizations (NGO's).

For more information about the trip, please contact Kristen Hering, Press Assistant, at 202 521-3854.

*Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), a US government corporation designed to work with some of the poorest countries in the world, is based on the principle that aid is most effective when it reinforces sound political, economic, and social policies that promote poverty reduction through economic growth.*

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