



Update on Progress

- The Government of Moldova has identified the political and technical points of contact to serve as MCC's partners in the compact development process, and has formed an MCA unit to perform necessary analysis for Moldova's compact proposal to the MCC.
The Moldovan core team submitted analyses of the country's economy and industry sectors. Input solicited from donors, members of the private sector and other members of the general public is included in the final reports, which are available at the Government of Moldova's MCA website.
The Government of Moldova concluded the first phase of its consultative process on July 26, 2007, with a conference in Ungheni. On September 12, 2007, the U.S. Embassy in Chisinau hosted an event where all of Moldova's political parties were invited to hear more about MCC's processes and the results of the Moldovan MCA unit's analyses and consultative process. On October 24, 2007, the National Monitoring Committee for the Compact Development Process approved the preliminary components of the country proposal. The second phase of the public consultations, framed around the approved preliminary components, took place in November 2007. Holding public consultations are an ongoing process throughout compact development and into implementation.
The Moldovan government submitted their proposal to MCC on February 28, 2008 that included four projects: Rehabilitation of the Road Network, Transition to High Value Agriculture, Energy Sector Efficiency Growth, and Rural Primary Health Care.
After thoroughly reviewing the proposal, undertaking an internal peer review, consulting with donors, counterparts, key stakeholders, and fielding of a two-week mission with multiple technical specialists, MCC decided to move forward with developing the proposed Rehabilitation of the Road Network and Transition to High Value Agriculture projects.
The MCC team is working closely with the core team and stakeholders to further develop the two projects utilizing 609(g) funding, regarding which Congress was notified in July 2008.
In early June 2008, Moldova was classified as a Tier 3 country in the United States Department of State's 2008 Trafficking in Persons Report, and was provided an action plan for addressing this issue. Failure to improve Moldova's classification would have very serious consequences on MCC's ability to continue work with Moldova. Additional information on the 2008 State Department Trafficking in Person's report can be found under: http://moldova.usembassy.gov/tip2008.html
For additional information on the consultative process and the proposal, please visit the Government of Moldova's MCA website at www.mca.gov.md.

*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2007

Compact Status

Status.....Eligible

Country Information

Population4,466,706 *

GNI Per Capita.....1,260*

Compact Process

Table with 2 columns: Stage, Completed. Rows include Eligibility Notification (11-08-2006), Proposal Receipt (02-28-2008), Opportunity Memo, Congressional Notification on Compact Negotiations, Investment Memo, Board Approval, Compact Signing, Entry Into Force, Initial Disbursement.