Data Sheet

USAID Mission: Kyrgyzstan

Program Title: Conflict Prevention
Pillar: Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance

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Status: Continuing

Planned FY 2006 Obligation:\$690,000 FSAPrior Year Unobligated:\$204,000 FSAProposed FY 2007 Obligation:\$899,000 FSA

Year of Initial Obligation: \$899,000 FSA
Estimated Year of Final Obligation: \$2004

Summary: USAID programs reduce the potential for conflict by targeting communities at risk for violent conflict due to political, social, or economic differences. Programs work through community-based organizations, local government, business, and community leaders to identify sources of local tension and then develop positive ways to address them through job creation, youth apprenticeships, physical infrastructure projects, information dissemination, and activities aimed at strengthening social capital. The approach focuses on both the root and immediate causes of conflict, while aiming to establish participatory, democratic, resource-based decision-making.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2006 Program:

Mitigate Conflict and Support Peace (\$690,000 FSA, \$204,403 FSA carryover). Through the Peaceful Communities Initiative, USAID is focusing on building stronger relationships between citizens and local government in order to mitigate against conflict by more effective allocation of budgetary, natural and physical infrastructure resources. A second aspect of the program is focusing on social activities such as youth summer camps or tolerance training to bridge differences between ethnic communities living in close proximity. The first full year of the new Collaborative Development Initiative is focusing on local economic development to increase employment, promote youth leadership, and increase access to information through collaborative partnerships between citizens, local government, community leaders and businesspeople. Principal contractors/grantees: Mercy Corps (prime), Internews (sub), and Urban Institute (sub).

FY 2007 Program:

Mitigate Conflict and Support Peace (\$899,000 FSA). The final year of the Collaborative Development Initiative will focus on hand-over mechanisms to ensure communities can continue efforts for local economic development on their own as a way to increase employment, promote youth leadership, and expand access to information. Principal contractors/grantees: Mercy Corps (prime), Internews (sub), and Urban Institute (sub).

Performance and Results: Kyrgyzstan had a turbulent year in 2005, with large-scale protests of the February Parliamentary elections, citizen occupation of local government buildings in several key cities, clashes with security forces, and looting of prominent businesses and markets in the capital. Nevertheless, 68% of communities assisted by USAID programs cite increased satisfaction with the delivery of services by their local government. Under the Community Action Investment Program (CAIP), which ended this year, an average 37% of total project costs were covered by the community through inkind contributions or cash payments, local government contributions, or private business philanthropy, and 44 projects valued at approximately \$202,000 were implemented without USAID financial support. Over 290 infrastructure and social projects have been carried out, directly benefiting 539,000 people and resulting in over 1,630 short-term and 6,436 long-term jobs since the program's inception. By program's end, USAID expects a growing trend of target communities reporting lessened tension or resolved conflicts, strengthened community participation, and improved satisfaction with local service delivery.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Kyrgyzstan

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116-0240 Conflict Prevention	FSA
Through September 30, 2004	
Obligations	597
Expenditures	44
Unliquidated	553
Fiscal Year 2005	
Obligations	1,210
Expenditures	0
Through September 30, 2005	
Obligations	1,807
Expenditures	44
Unliquidated	1,763
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	204
Planned Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	
Obligations	690
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2006	
Obligations	894
Proposed Fiscal Year 2007 NOA	
Obligations	899
Future Obligations	1,210
Est. Total Cost	4,810