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# Uzbekistan



Foreign Operations Appropriated Assistance\* Fiscal Year (FY) 2007: \$15.53 Million (M) (\$15M FSA, \$0.53M Other) Estimate FY 2008: \$10.19M (\$8.41M FSA,\$1.78M Other)\*\*

Assistance Goals: United States (U.S.) assistance to Uzbekistan seeks to promote and protect human rights; improve understanding of market principles; combat trafficking in persons. In addition, U.S. Government (USG) assistance builds the capacity of civil society to engage with the Government of Uzbekistan (GOU) on social advocacy issues.

#### Areas of Focus (Foreign Operations Appropriated Assistance):

Peace and Security (PS): FY 2007: \$0.69M, Est. FY 2008: \$1.43M

- Work with former weapons scientists on commercial research projects to discourage the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction
- Combat trafficking in persons and youth drug use
- o Maintain a productive, though limited security relationship with Uzbekistan

Governing Justly and Democratically (GJD): FY 2007: \$5.59M, Est. FY 2008: \$3.91M

- Improve the ability of private groups to monitor and report on the GOU's human rights practices and expand civic participation
- Provide legal information to businesses and human rights advocates
- Promote a more open and sustainable media environment

#### Investing in People (IIP): FY 2007: \$4.33M, Est. FY 2008: \$3.4M

- Combat the spread of tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS in Uzbekistan
- Promote high quality maternal and child health care

#### Economic Growth (EG): FY 2007: \$3.56M, Est. FY 2008: \$1.05M

- Promote public understanding of issues that affect the business environment
- Strengthen the ability of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to influence economic policy
- Encourage independent financial data and analysis of the Uzbek economy
- Work directly with farmers to improve decision making and establish more profitable value chains
- Seek productive engagement with Uzbekistan on establishing a regional market for electricity and promoting electricity sales to Afghanistan

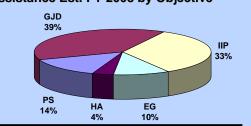
#### Humanitarian Assistance (HA): FY 2007: \$0.75M, Est. FY 2008: \$0.40M

 In FY 2007 the USG improved the welfare of the most vulnerable populations throughout Uzbekistan through targeted deliveries of needed medical and relief supplies valued at \$14.6M

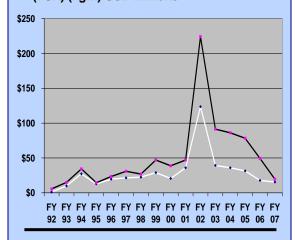
#### **Recent Successes:**

- The USG fostered dialogue between GOU law-enforcement and the human rights community, which facilitated the release of a number of political prisoners and was influential in establishing laws on *habeas corpus*
- The creation of credit unions in Uzbekistan gained momentum in 2007, with deposits increasing from \$10M in 2006 to \$25M in 2007
- USG health implementers conducted 3,253 health education sessions for 61,386 participants on topics related to maternal and newborn health care
- Supported a drug reduction project from Nov. 2006 to May 2007 that increased the drug and HIV/AIDS awareness for 2,376 schoolchildren and 1,000 parents and neighborhood leaders. Following the project, the U.N. Office of Drugs and Crime documented a 7.3% increase in drug and HIV/AIDS awareness in participating schools

Foreign Operations Appropriated Assistance Est. FY 2008 by Objective\*\*



USG Total Assistance 1992-2007: Total USG (dark) and FREEDOM Support Act (FSA) (light) USD Millions



## Uzbekistan: Est. FY 2008 USD Thousands

Total For. Ops. Accounts **	<b>\$10,190</b>
FREEDOM Support Act:	\$8,405
Non-proliferation, Anti-terrorism, De- mining and Related Programs (NADR):	\$893
Child Survival and Health (CSH):	\$892

### For More Information:

FSA Annual Report: http://www.state.gov/p/eur/rls/rpt

Combating AIDS: http://www.pepfar.gov/pepfar/press/84189.htm

> U.S. Embassy: http://www.usembassy.uz

\*Division J of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Omnibus Appropriations Act: Department of State Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2008, including: FSA, CSH, NADR, International Military Education and Training (IMET) and Foreign Military Financing (FMF)

\*\*Estimate from FY 2009 Congressional Budget Justification; Website: http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/101440.pdf