Data Sheet

USAID Mission: Uzbekistan

Program Title: Cross-Cutting Programs

Franchic Growth Agriculture and Trade

Pillar: Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade **Strategic Objective:** 122-0420

Status: Continuing

Planned FY 2005 Obligation:\$2,780,000 FSAPrior Year Unobligated:\$1,327,000 FSAProposed FY 2006 Obligation:\$1,965,000 FSA

Year of Initial Obligation: 2001
Estimated Year of Final Obligation: 2007

Summary: This cross-cutting program supports all of USAID's strategic objectives, and includes four main components: training and exchanges to support USAID's technical assistance programs; the Eurasia Foundation to strengthen indigenous non-governmental organizations (NGO); community connections to enhance public diplomacy; and program development support for cross-cutting evaluations, technical assistance, management needs, public outreach, and incorporation of perspectives from religious leaders into programming.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Participant Training Program (\$700,000 FSA). USAID will continue Participant Training to complement ongoing technical assistance in six strategic objective areas: improved environment for the growth of small and medium enterprises (SMEs); strengthened democratic culture; improved management of critical natural resources; increased utilization of quality primary health care; mitigated sources of conflict in target communities; and improved quality of education. More than 3,000 participants will be trained through Participant Training activities in Uzbekistan during FY 2005. USAID support will include introduction of the Human and Institutional Capacity Development (HICD) approach into USAID's programs, with a potential pilot activity in Uzbekistan. Principal contractor/grantee: Academy for Educational Development (prime).

Community Connections (\$1,090,000 FSA, \$1,100,000 FSA carryover). The broad public diplomacy goal of the Community Connections program is to contribute to economic and democratic reform and to promote mutual understanding in Eurasia through exposure to U.S. society and personal connections with Americans. Through local community host organizations in the United States, approximately 200 men and women entrepreneurs, local government officials, legal professionals, NGO leaders, and other professionals from Eurasia will be provided with a three to five week training program in the United States tailored to their professional or business interests. Principal contractor/grantee: TBD.

Eurasia Foundation (\$700,000 FSA). The Eurasia Foundation will target approximately 44 NGOs that contribute to private sector development and civil society strengthening through the issuance of small grants. The NGOs will also benefit from institutional strengthening through intensive planning, reporting, and financial management training. Eurasia will expand upon its Ferghana Valley Initiative to provide targeted grants to increase dialogue and cross-border linkages in this conflict-prone region. Principal contractor/grantee: Eurasia Foundation (prime).

Program Support (\$290,000 FSA, \$70,000 FSA carryover, \$157,000 FSA prior year recoveries). A wide range of program support will continue to be funded, including evaluations, technical assistance, management needs, and public outreach. Additionally, program personnel essential to the implementation of program activities will be supported by this category. Funding will also enable USAID to take advantage of unanticipated opportunities to advance or reinforce USAID strategic objectives. Furthermore, USAID will expand outreach efforts to engage traditional religious leaders in the region. The goal of this initiative is to better inform religious leaders about USAID programs and to bridge the gap with traditional community leaders whose views, in the past, have not generally been incorporated into USAID programmatic decision making. In accomplishing this goal, USAID will conduct tours of its

programs for religious leaders and the media, hold regular representational events with religious leaders, and work specifically with partners to incorporate religious leaders into development activities. Principal contractor/grantee: N/A.

FY 2006 Program: Participant Training Program (\$500,000 FSA). USAID will continue Participant Training in FY 2006 as a means of complementing ongoing activities across its various strategic objectives. Simultaneously, through its Participant Training program, USAID will begin working with a number of yet-to-be-determined organizations through multiple targeted interventions aimed at developing institutional capacity and increasing the likelihood of organizational sustainability. Principal contractor/grantee: Academy for Educational Development (prime).

Community Connections (\$500,000 FSA). USAID will continue the Community Connections program, with emphasis on human and institutional strengthening in support of its strategic objectives. Approximately 200 men and women are expected to receive training in the United States through the program. Principal contractor/grantee: TBD (prime).

Eurasia Foundation (\$700,000 FSA). The Eurasia Foundation will continue to provide grants and institutional strengthening on an open-door basis to NGOs in Uzbekistan working in the sectors of private enterprise, civil society, and public and policy administration. Principal contractor/grantee: Eurasia Foundation (prime).

Program Support (\$265,000 FSA). A wide range of program and personnel support activities will continue. Funding will enable USAID to support unanticipated opportunities to advance or reinforce USAID objectives. Additionally, religious outreach efforts will continue and will be expanded, through tours for and representational events with religious leaders. Principal contractor/grantee: N/A.

Performance and Results: In FY 2004, USAID trained over 3,700 Uzbek citizens (approximately 50% women) in the areas of enterprise and finance, NGO development, mass media, health-care reform, microfinance and credit unions, water management, and agriculture. Of particular note, after attending an anti-trafficking training, members of the Jizzakh branch of the NGO Istiqbolli Avlod, in cooperation with the Jizzakh Oblast Department of Internal Affairs, conducted an anti-trafficking public awareness campaign in Mirzachul Region. Through this campaign, a news report aired on the local Jizzakh Oblast television station and resulted in a number of trafficking-related incidents being reported to local authorities.

In FY 2004, the Eurasia Foundation awarded 64 grants to Uzbekistani NGOs totaling \$1,111,713, including \$70,000 in funds raised from non-USG sources. Of these grants, 24 were awarded as part of USAID's Drug Demand Reduction Program. Recipients of these grants were local organizations that work with families, professionals, and at-risk groups to reduce and prevent injecting-drug use. Other grant funds supported civil society, public administration, media, and private enterprise development. Through a grant to the Navoi Business Women's Association, Eurasia Foundation supported institutional development of a leading credit union. The grantee developed and provided demand-driven services to expand access to finance for remote populations. The grant also helped the organization to better provide business training.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Uzbekistan

122-0420 Cross-Cutting Programs	ESF	FSA
Through September 30, 2003		
Obligations	112	34,777
Expenditures	112	22,863
Unliquidated	0	11,914
Fiscal Year 2004		
Obligations	0	3,318
Expenditures	0	6,098
Through September 30, 2004		
Obligations	112	38,095
Expenditures	112	28,961
Unliquidated	0	9,134
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	0	1,327
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA		
Obligations	0	2,780
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005		
Obligations	0	4,107
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA		
Obligations	0	1,965
Future Obligations	0	4,420
Est. Total Cost	112	48,587