

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Africa Regional
Program Title:	Strengthening Democracy and Good Governance
Pillar:	Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance
Strategic Objective:	698-013
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:	\$10,926,000 DA
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$238,000 DA; \$200,000 ESF
Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:	\$14,200,000 DA
Year of Initial Obligation:	FY 1999
Year of Final Obligation:	FY 2004

Summary: Weaknesses in democratic governance dampen economic activity, cause civil unrest, and can create fertile ground for terrorists. The work of the USAID to strengthen the principles of democracy and good governance (DG) in Africa advances the national security goal of creating the conditions for peace and promoting U.S. and world security. This effort consists of information-sharing on state-of-the-art innovations; technical assistance to USAID's Africa field missions; grants to African non-governmental organizations (NGOs) for human rights and democracy-building activities; grants for critical DG activities, such as elections support and civic education; an initiative to combat corruption in Africa; and innovative pilot projects integrating the promotion and practice of good governance principles into other development sectors.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2004 Program:

Support human rights and anti-corruption programs in over 40 African countries (\$10,338,000 DA; \$200,000 prior year ESF; \$236,729 prior year DA). USAID's Anti-Corruption Initiative will support field-based programs that promote African-led reforms to fight corruption in at least nine bilateral missions and three regional missions. The initiative will work with multiple stakeholders at the regional, sub-regional, country and local levels. Interventions will promote public access to information, citizen awareness and advocacy, transparency and accountability of government procedures, government oversight institutions, and public-private dialogue. USAID funding for the Democracy and Human Rights Fund (DHRF), implemented by the Department of State, will support indigenous African NGOs that carry out short-term targeted activities, such as women's legal clinics and basic human rights campaigns. Principal grantee: Les Aspin Institute.

Promote use of DG principles to carry out activities in other sectors (\$588,000 DA; \$1,343 prior year DA). USAID will provide technical assistance to its missions for strategic cross-sectoral planning, program design and performance monitoring. USAID will also disseminate a set of tools and principles to NGOs and other civil society institutions with information on the linkages between DG and environmental advocacy and on ways that environmental advocacy can help build civil society and democracy. Principal contractor and grantee: World Resources Institute; the Environmental Law Institute (sub).

A follow-on strategic objective will begin in FY 2004 and will be notified separately upon approval.

FY 2005 Program:

Support human rights and anti-corruption programs in over 40 African countries (\$13,500,000 DA). USAID expects to continue supporting the DHRF and the Anti-Corruption Initiative. Principal grantee: same as above.

Promote use of DG principles to carry out activities in other sectors (\$700,000 DA). USAID will continue providing technical assistance to missions to enhance the integration of DG components into their

development programming and to monitor and evaluate impact more effectively. Implementers: same as above.

Performance and Results: In FY 2003, USAID launched an initiative to reduce corruption in countries that have embraced principles of good governance and demonstrated a commitment to reform. In general, the Anti-Corruption Initiative (ACI) seeks to support countries that demonstrate the political will to implement reform; help consolidate emerging democracies; capitalize on the unique window of opportunity that has emerged following the transition to democracy in many countries; create linkages with the Millennium Challenge Account (MCA); and test a wide range of strategies in order to establish best practices and create replicable models. Nine bilateral missions in Africa (Benin, Nigeria, Kenya, Madagascar, Mozambique, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania and Zambia) received ACI funds to promote participatory and transparent government procurement; increase governmental capacity to conduct audits and deliver services; promote civil society understanding of and capacity to engage in government processes, especially fiscal processes; and strengthen investigative media.

Working with the Regional Affairs Office in the State Department's Africa Bureau (AF/RA), the DG team has continued to manage the DA-funded Democracy and Human Rights Fund (DHRF) and the Trafficking in Persons activities. DHRF made small grants to indigenous African NGOs in 38 countries to support activities involving the rights of children; women's rights; anti-corruption; HIV/AIDS awareness and victims' rights; the promotion of peace, reconciliation and democratic processes; the prevention of female genital cutting and trafficking in persons; civic education campaigns; capacity building for newly elected members of parliament--especially women; the strengthening of civil society engagement in legislative activism; and support for electoral processes.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Africa Regional

698-013 Strengthening Democracy and Good Governance	DA	DFA	ESF
Through September 30, 2002			
Obligations	20,109	9,904	1,400
Expenditures	16,323	9,855	13
Unliquidated	3,786	49	1,387
Fiscal Year 2003			
Obligations	2,413	0	300
Expenditures	3,069	13	529
Through September 30, 2003			
Obligations	22,522	9,904	1,700
Expenditures	19,392	9,868	542
Unliquidated	3,130	36	1,158
Prior Year Unobligated Funds			
Obligations	238	0	200
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA			
Obligations	10,926	0	0
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004			
Obligations	11,164	0	200
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA			
Obligations	14,200	0	0
Future Obligations	0	0	0
Est. Total Cost	47,886	9,904	1,900