

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Democratic Republic of the Congo
Program Title:	Conflict Resolution
Pillar:	Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance
Strategic Objective:	660-006
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:	\$2,250,000 ESF
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$410,000 DA
Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:	\$1,000,000 ESF
Year of Initial Obligation:	FY 2004
Year of Final Obligation:	FY 2006

Summary: USAID promotes the community-based reintegration of ex-combatants into their communities through: USAID participation (technical and political guidance) in the development of the reintegration aspects of national plan for the Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration (DDR) of ex-combatants; assistance to communities to enable them to accept and support the reintegration of former combatants; and support to the ex-combatants themselves through the provision of basic reintegration kits, counseling, education, skills training, and income generating opportunities.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2004 Program:

Reintegration of regular and irregular ex-combatants in DRC into their communities (\$2,250,000 ESF, \$410,000 prior year DA). Beneficiaries of this three-year special objective will include disarmed and demobilized regular and irregular adult and child ex-combatants (both male and female), dependents of those ex-combatants, camp followers, prisoners or slaves under the control of armed groups, and communities reintegrating ex-combatants. During FY 2004 the program will focus on contributing to the reintegration of ex-combatants at three levels. First, USAID will participate in the development and adoption of the national plan for DDR that will lay the framework for the DDR of between 80,000 to 165,000 combatants. Second, while the national plan is still being finalized, USAID will conduct community-based pilot projects in communities where ex-combatants are spontaneously demobilizing. (This is currently being conducted in northern Katanga Province with DA conflict funds by the NGO International Foundation for Education and Self-Help (IFESH)). Third, USAID will provide basic support to ex-combatants who spontaneously demobilize through provision of reintegration kits to enable groups who have disarmed and demobilized prior to the installation of the national plan to return to their communities. Principal contractors: Development Alternatives Incorporated (prime), and IFESH, CARITAS and local NGOs (subs). Additional contractors will be selected during the year.

FY 2005 Program:

Reintegration of regular and irregular ex-combatants in DRC into their communities (\$1,000,000 ESF). USAID will engage within the framework of the national plan (which is expected to be finalized before May 2004). Large-scale DDR is due to begin in June 2004. USAID will play a key role in the national process by focusing on the community-based reintegration of ex-combatants that will build upon lessons learned during FY 2003 pilot projects. USAID will place particular emphasis on irregular ex-combatants who will not fall under funding from other donors (e.g., the World Bank's Multi-Country Demobilization and Reintegration Program). Implementing partners will be selected through competitive bids.

Performance and Results: In FY 2003, USAID/DRC became actively engaged in several DDR activities under the prior strategy. ESF funding was provided to Development Alternatives Incorporated to support the development of the national plan and finance community based reintegration programs for ex-combatants who were spontaneously demobilizing. Subsequently ESF funding was provided to IFESH to develop community conflict management capacity for reintegration activities that will revitalize communities and help to reduce tension as former combatants return. ESF funding was also made

available to support radio programming of messages for combatants and their communities of return. USAID staff actively participated in the effort to develop a national plan for DDR in DRC both for adults and for children. USAID will not provide any assistance that is military in nature. The end-state of the program aims to see the full reintegration of between 80,000 to 165,000 disarmed and demobilized ex-combatants.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Democratic Republic of the Congo

	DA	ESF
660-006 Conflict Resolution		
Through September 30, 2002		
Obligations	0	0
Expenditures	0	0
Unliquidated	0	0
Fiscal Year 2003		
Obligations	0	0
Expenditures	0	0
Through September 30, 2003		
Obligations	0	0
Expenditures	0	0
Unliquidated	0	0
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	410	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA		
Obligations	0	2,250
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004		
Obligations	410	2,250
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA		
Obligations	0	1,000
Future Obligations	0	3,000
Est. Total Cost	410	6,250