

Zambia

Update on Progress

- ★ On December 11, 2008, Zambia was selected as eligible for a Millennium Challenge Corporation poverty reduction grant, or compact, by MCC’s Board of Directors.
- ★ An initial MCC high-level visit to Zambia to meet with a variety of stakeholders – including representatives of the Zambian government, members of the private sector, other donor organizations, and NGOs – is the next step in the compact development process. The objectives of the initial trip will be to build working relationships with key contacts, explain the MCC model and process of compact development to stakeholders, and set expectations as to the size and timeline for development of a potential compact.
- ★ Once Zambia selects its National Program Coordinator, economist, and other core team members, the government of Zambia and MCC will facilitate a constraints analysis and a broad-based consultative process to elicit feedback on constraints to economic growth and poverty reduction in the country.
- ★ Zambia’s successful MCC threshold program, which focuses on reducing opportunities for corruption, removing administrative barriers to business and investment entry and operation, and improving border management, will conclude in February 2009.

Compact Status

StatusCompact Eligible

Country Information

Population11,696,160*

GNI Per Capita\$800*

Compact Process

Stage	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility Notification 12-11-2008
	Concept Paper Receipt
	Concept Assessment Memo
	Congressional Notification on Compact Negotiations
	Investment Memo
	Board Approval
	Compact Signing
	Entry Into Force
	Initial Disbursement

*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2007