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Programming Policy**

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SUBJECT: Revision to ADS 221 (USAID's Procedure for Implementing International Agreements for Tied and Untied Aid)

NEW MATERIAL: This notice announces the revision to ADS 221 (USAID's Procedures for Implementing International Agreements for Tied and Untied Aid). It has been revised to bring the chapter into conformity with the Agency's current structure.

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ADS 221 (USAID's Procedures for Implementing International Agreements for Tied and Untied Aid) has been revised to bring the chapter into conformity with the Agency's current structure. Responsibilities that previously belonged to the Bureau for Program and Policy Coordination (PPC) have been redistributed among the General Counsel's Office, the Office of Development Partners, the Office of Acquisition and Assistance, and A/AID/COO. The Agency's Tied Aid Coordinator is William McCormick (ODP/BMP).

In addition, the Organization of Economic Coordination and Development's (OECD) Development Assistance Committee (DAC) recently expanded the scope of its recommendation now to apply to 'heavily indebted poor countries' (HIPC) under the World Bank HIPC initiative. Including the HIPC list adds eight more countries worldwide to the countries already covered under the DAC recommendation. The U.S. Government agreed to the inclusion of the HIPC list in May 2008. See Cable Paris 01060, dated June 4, 2008. This revised ADS 221 incorporates this new written policy issued by the Administrator.

The Assistant Administrator of PPC previously had the authority to approve derogations from the DAC Recommendation. Because PPC no longer exists, that authority has reverted back to the Deputy Administrator. Finally, this revision clarifies existing policies to assist with the implementation of the guidance contained in this chapter.

Point of Contact: Inquiries regarding this notice may be directed to William McCormick, ODP/BMP, (202) 712-0341.

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