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A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

am pleased to present the U.S.Agency for International Development's (USAID) *Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2006* (PAR). This report comes at a time of transition for the Agency. Following Secretary Rice's announcement in January of the most significant restructuring of U.S. foreign assistance in decades, USAID is working to streamline processes in order to meet the challenges and opportunities of a new era in foreign assistance.

Recognizing the need for collaboration, the Department of State and USAID have been operating under a joint Strategic Plan for 2004-2009 that captures and articulates U.S foreign policy objectives shared by both agencies. This report captures our performance against the objectives laid out in that plan. In the coming year, we will revise the Joint Strategic Plan to reflect the foreign assistance reforms underway. Doing so will provide the long-term strategic vision necessary to ensure that foreign policy priorities and assistance programs are fully aligned.

From the highest levels, this Administration has made and Congress has supported an enormous commitment to development and transformation. President Bush has made—and is keeping—that commitment. In fact, the total official development assistance (ODA) provided by the United States for 2005 came to \$27.6 billion—a near tripling of ODA since 2001.

But these vastly increased resources have also come with new responsibilities—to focus on performance, results, accountability—and ultimately, to define success as the ability of a nation to graduate from aid and become a full partner in international peace and prosperity. This is precisely what the Secretary has acknowledged in establishing the transformational diplomacy goal of "helping to build and sustain well-governed, democratic states that respond to the needs of their people and conduct themselves responsibly in the international system."



Ambassador Randall L.Tobias Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance and Administrator U.S. Agency for International Development

This is now the overarching goal of all U.S. foreign assistance. From this point forward, all USAID and State Department foreign assistance funds will be planned, allocated, and measured against achieving this goal. Under the Secretary's leadership, the United States seeks to reform its organization, planning, and implementation of foreign assistance in order to achieve this goal.

A fundamental purpose of this reform is, in the end, to better ensure that we are providing both the necessary tools and the right incentives for host governments to secure the conditions necessary for their citizens to achieve their full human potential. We cannot provide those tools and incentives absent transparency and accountability. The report that follows provides—for the first time ever—a joint State-USAID performance section. This is an important step upon which we will continue to build in order to honor our long-standing commitment to being effective and accountable stewards of taxpayer dollars.

Remarkably, the United States has never before had an integrated foreign assistance strategy. We have not had a consistent and comprehensive story to tell to our various stakeholders, including Congress and the American public. This new strategic approach will help us tell the story of what we are trying to accomplish, and provide the basis for evaluating our progress—not just within one agency, but across the U.S. government.

I believe USAID has a tremendous contribution to make in writing that story. The men and women of USAID have the experience and expertise that are crucial to meeting the unprecedented development challenges of this century—a time which sees the world at once ripe with democratic promise and menaced by global terrorism.

As evidenced by our continued commitment to addressing challenges—from the needs created by genocide in Sudan; to the toll taken by diseases like HIV/AIDS and malaria; to our work in rebuilding both physical and human capacity following conflict in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Lebanon—each of us who works at USAID is driven by the belief that peaceful societies, where healthy and well-educated people are free to provide for themselves and their families, are aspirations of human beings regardless of ethnicity, religion, or geographic location.

This core belief in human potential—and the understanding that the United States can and should play a role in helping people around the world strive for and achieve those aspirations—is the cause that draws us together and drives us to perform. As we move forward on foreign assistance reform, I am confident that the Agency—and the entire U.S. government—will be in a better position to report on that performance.

I hereby certify that the financial and performance data in the FY 2006 PAR are reliable and complete, except for the inadequacies detailed within this report. A discussion of actions that USAID is taking to resolve these issues is also provided in this report. This PAR contains the Agency's performance information as required by the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA); our audited consolidated financial statements as required by the Chief Financial Officers (CFO) Act and the Government Management Reform Act (GMRA); a report on management decisions and actions in response to audit reports issued by the Agency's Inspector General (IG) as required by the Inspector General Act; and a report on our management and internal controls as required by the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA).

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Ambassador Randall L.Tobias Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance and Administrator U.S.Agency for International Development November 15, 2006

MISSION ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE

MISSION

Create a more secure, democratic, and prosperous world for the benefit of the American people and the international community.

VALUES

Loyalty: Commitment to the United States and the American people.

Character: Maintenance of high ethical standards and integrity.

Service: Excellence in the formulation of policy and management practices with room for creative dissent. Implementation of policy and management practices, regardless of personal views.

Accountability: Responsibility for achieving United States foreign policy goals while meeting the highest performance standards.

Community: Dedication to teamwork, professionalism, and the customer perspective.

USAID HISTORY

The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 effectively reorganized U.S. government foreign assistance programs, including the separation of military and non-military aid. The act placed primary emphasis on long-range economic and social development assistance efforts and mandated the creation of an agency to administer programs in support of these efforts. Two months after passage of the act, President John F. Kennedy established the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

USAID unified pre-existing U.S. government assistance programs, combining the economic and technical assistance operations of the International Cooperation Agency, the loan activities of the Development Loan Fund, the local currency functions of the Export-Import Bank, and the agricultural surplus distribution activities of the Food for Peace program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

USAID has undergone a number of restructurings over the years to improve its performance, but the foreign assistance reforms announced by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice in January 2006 reflect major changes in the way that the Agency will plan and execute its programs. With implementation commencing in FY 2007, the reforms will more fully align foreign assistance activities carried out by USAID and the Department of State.

OUR ORGANIZATION

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

s part of the foreign assistance reforms announced in January 2006, Secretary Rice created the Office of the Director of Foreign Assistance within the Department of State (State/F). The Director of this Office, Ambassador Randall L. Tobias, serves concurrently as the USAID Administrator. The Director of Foreign Assistance has authority over USAID and Department of State foreign assistance funding and programs, bringing together various bureaus and offices within the two agencies to participate in joint program planning, implementation, and oversight. To facilitate this consolidation of policies and procedures, staff from USAID's Bureau for Policy and Program Coordination (PPC) have been detailed to State/F. USAID's Bureau for Management administers a centralized support services program for the Agency's worldwide operations. The Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs develops and implements outreach programs to promote understanding of USAID's missions and programs. The secretariat for the Global Development Alliance (GDA) operates across the four regional bureaus to support the development of public-private alliances. USAID also includes five offices that support the Agency's security, business, compliance, and diversity initiatives. It also maintains a Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

Although additional restructuring at USAID headquarters may time. USAID's occur over mission is currently carried out through four regional bureaus in Washington: Africa (AFR), Asia and the Near East (ANE); Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC); and Europe and Eurasia (E&E). The regional bureaus are supported by three functional (or pillar) bureaus that provide expertise in democracy and governance, conflict management humanitarian and mitigation, assistance, economic growth, trade opportunities, agricultural productivity and technology, and global health challenges, such as maternal and child health and HIV/AIDS.

Office of the Office of the Inspector General Administrator CFO Office of Equal GDA Secretariat Opportunity Programs Office of Small Office of Disadvantaged Security Business/Minority Bureau for Bureau for Policy & Management/CIO Program Coordination Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs Office of the General Counsel Center for Faith-based and Community Initiatives Bureau for Bureau for Bureau for Bureau for Bureau for Bureau for I atin Democracy Economic Bureau for Conflict, & Global Asia & the America Europe & Growth, Africa Humanitariar Health Near East & the Eurasia Agriculture Caribbean Assistance and Trade AFR ANF I AC F&F Field Field Field Field Missions Missions Missions Missions

USAID ORGANIZATION CHART

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OVERSEAS

USAID implements programs in 88 countries overseas and its organizational units are known as "field missions." The U.S. Ambassador serves as the Chief of Mission for all U.S. government agencies in a given country and the USAID Director reports to the Ambassador. The USAID Director or Representative is responsible for USAID's operations in a given country or region and also serves as a key member of the U.S. government's "country team." The Director or Representative is often called upon to stand in for the Ambassador or the Deputy Chief of Mission during their absences.

USAID missions operate under decentralized program authorities, allowing them to design and implement programs and negotiate and execute agreements. The Director of USAID's Office of Acquisitions and Assistance issues warrants to field-based contracting officers, authorizing them to negotiate, execute, amend, and modify contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements. Executive officers are delegated authority to sign leases for real property. Mission directors and principal officers are also delegated authority to:

- coordinate with other U.S. government agencies
- waive source, origin, and nationality requirements for procurement of goods and services
- negotiate, execute, and implement food aid agreements
- implement loan and credit programs.

Large USAID missions usually consist of nine to 15 U.S. direct-hire (USDH) employees (with a few very large missions having more than fifteen). These missions conduct USAID's major programs worldwide, managing a program of four or more strategic goals on average.

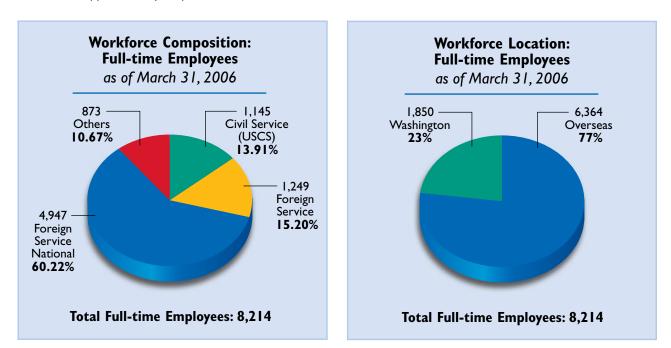
Medium size missions (five to eight USDH) manage programs of two to three goals, and small missions (three to four USDH) manage one or two strategic goals. These missions provide assistance based on an integrated strategy that includes clearly defined program objectives and performance targets. Regional support missions (typically 16 to 22 USDH), also known as regional hubs, provide a variety of services. The hubs retain a team of legal advisors, contracting and project design officers, financial services managers, and sometimes technical officers to support small and mediumsized missions and non-presence countries which receive USAID funding. In countries without integrated strategies but where aid is necessary, regional missions work with non-governmental organizations (NGO) or other partner organizations to facilitate the emergence of civil society, help alleviate repression, meet basic human needs, mitigate conflict, and/or enhance food security. Regional missions may also have their own bilateral programs to manage.

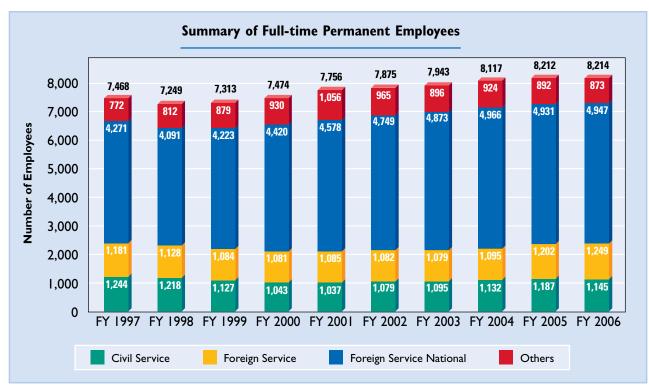
The field mission workforce is typically composed of three major categories of personnel: USDH employees (including program-funded foreign service limited [FSL] appointments), U.S. personal services contractors (USPSC), and foreign service nationals (FSN). USDHs are career foreign service employees assigned to missions for two to four-year tours. Program-funded FSLs are hired under a special authority granted by Congress to replace contracted personnel, such as USPSCs. USPSCs are contractors hired for up to five years to carry out a scope of work specified by USAID. FSNs, professionals recruited in their host countries by USAID, make up the core of the USAID workforce. Many FSNs are recognized leaders and experts in their fields and devote their careers to USAID. FSNs are the bridge to effective contacts with key host country officials and decisionmakers, and they provide the institutional memory for and continuity of USAID's country programs. They are the backbone of USAID's overseas workforce.

USAID also stations officers where opportunities exist to leverage policy and resources in support of high priority strategic issues; the Agency currently has officers stationed in Paris, Tokyo, Brussels, Geneva, and Rome.

USAID'S PEOPLE

USAID's workforce consists of more than 8,200 employees in the foreign service and civil service, as well as FSNs and those in other categories, including employees detailed from other U.S. government agencies, personal service contractors, and Fellows. As the charts below indicate, Foreign Service Nationals make up over 60 percent of USAID's workforce. Approximately 77 percent of the total USAID workforce serves overseas.





PERFORMANCE GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND RESULTS

USAID AND DEPARTMENT OF STATE: JOINT STRATEGIC PLANNING AND REPORTING

Given the close coordination and complementary nature of USAID and the Department of State's foreign assistance programs, the agencies issued a Joint State-USAID Strategic Plan for FY 2004-2009¹. This plan included a planning framework with 12 strategic goals, focusing on policy, program, and management areas that reflect the agencies' highest priorities. USAID has focused its work around three of the four strategic objectives and eight of the 12 strategic goals that capture the breadth of its mission (see the Joint State-USAID Strategic Planning Framework on the next page). USAID either does not have programs in the remaining four strategic goal areas, or does not have meaningful indicators or targets which require reporting of performance results in the Performance and Accountability Report (PAR). Consistent with the Joint State-USAID Strategic Plan, this year's PAR now includes a Joint State-USAID Performance Section. Although the Joint Performance Section clearly identifies those indicators that are managed by USAID, the indicators managed by the Department of State are also presented to provide a more complete picture of how the two agencies are working together in support of the three strategic objectives and eight strategic goals that they share. USAID and the Department of State are also reporting separately on agency-specific resources invested to achieve these performance and strategic goals.

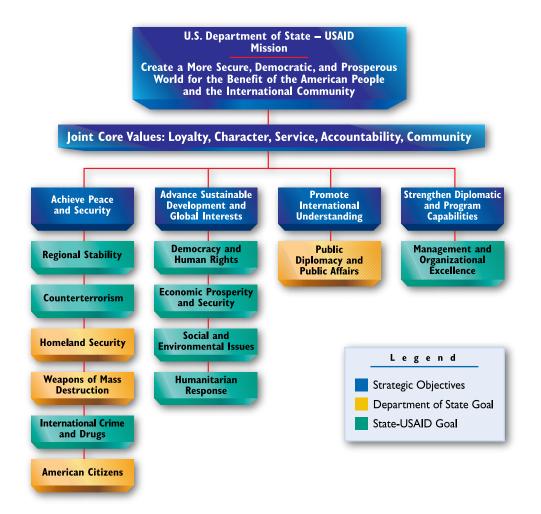
Each indicator table in the Performance Section shows the logo of the agency responsible for gathering, reporting, and validating the performance data for that indicator, as shown below:





1. This plan will be revised in FY 2007 to reflect the foreign assistance reforms announced by Secretary of State Rice in January 2006.

JOINT STATE-USAID STRATEGIC PLANNING FRAMEWORK



The FY 2004-2009 Joint State-USAID Strategic Plan can be found online at the following link:

http://www.state.gov/m/rm/rls/dosstrat/2004/

STRATEGIC PLANNING FRAMEWORK QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Strategic Objective	Strategic Goals	Performance Goals	
	Regional Stability: Avert and resolve local and regional conflicts to preserve	Close ties with allies and friends	
	peace and minimize harm to the national interests of the United States.	Resolution of regional conflicts	
	Counterterrorism: Prevent attacks against the United States, its allies, and	Active anti-terrorist coalitions (Department of State only)	
Achieve Peace and Security	its friends; and strengthen alliances and international arrangements to defeat	Frozen terrorist financing (Department of State only)	
	global terrorism.	Prevention and response to terrorism (Department of State only)	
		Stable conditions in fragile/failing states	
	International Crime and Drugs: Minimize the impact of international	Disruption of criminal organizations	
	crime and illegal drugs on the United States and its citizens.	Law enforcement and judicial systems	
	Democracy and Human Rights: Advance the growth of democracy and good governance, including civil	Democratic systems and practices	
	society, the rule of law, respect for human rights, and religious freedom.	Universal human rights standards	
	Economic Prosperity and	Economic growth and development	
Advance	Security: Strengthen world economic growth, development, and stability, while expanding opportunities for U.S. businesses and ensuring economic	Trade and investment	
Sustainable		Secure and stable markets	
Development and Global	security for the nation.	Food security and agricultural development	
Interests	Social and Environmental	Global health	
	Issues: Improve health, education,	Environmental protection	
	environment, and other conditions for	Access to quality education	
	the global population.	Migration policies and systems	
		(Department of State only)	
	Humanitarian Response: Minimize the human costs of displacement,	Assistance for refugees and other victims	
	conflicts, and natural disasters.	Disaster prevention/response via capacity building	
	Management and Organizational	Human resources and training	
Strengthen Diplomatic	Excellence: Ensure a high quality	Information technology (IT)	
	workforce supported by modern and	Diplomatic security (Department of State only)	
and Program	secure infrastructure and operational capabilities.	Overseas and domestic facilities	
Capabilities		Resource management	
		Administrative services	

FIVE-TIERED METHODOLOGY

The Agency is committed to utilizing the funds it receives from taxpayers through Congress to produce successful results. In FY 2006, USAID employed the programming and reporting structure depicted in the pyramid to the right. USAID reports on performance at several levels, with each descending level representing a more detailed breakout of the programs USAID implements. At the USAID operating unit level, indicators are drawn from a set of common program components utilized across the Agency. These indicators measure progress toward an operating unit's strategic objectives, which in turn measure achievement toward performance goals. Performance results in this report utilize program component indicators aggregated across the Agency to report at the performance goal levels shared with the Department of State.



DATA RELIABILITY, COMPLETENESS, AND VALIDITY

USAID performance results for FY 2006 are matched to the performance and strategic goals in the Joint State-USAID Strategic Plan. Many of these results are preliminary because USAID's final fiscal year performance results are typically not available until mid to late-December. This necessitates estimating performance results data, a practice accepted by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for purposes of reporting in the PAR. Acceptable methods for data estimation include (1) expert opinion, (2) historical trends, (3) extrapolation, and (4) sampling and statistics.

As indicated in the Agency's Automated Directive System (ADS) Chapter 203.3.5, (http://www.usaid.gov/policy/ads/200/203.pdf), the data provided by USAID operating units for these estimates are expected to be verified through Data Quality Assessments (DQA) and meet five data quality standards of validity, integrity, precision, reliability, and timeliness.

The methodology used for obtaining the data must be well documented and each operating unit must provide annual certification of its strategic objectives and their relationship to the Agency's strategic goals.

In FY 2006, USAID's Office of the Inspector General (OIG) conducted a limited review of USAID's internal controls for verifying its data. The OIG determined that the Agency's compliance with its policies and procedures for verifying performance data needs improvement. USAID intends to address this issue as part of the new performance management information system being developed to support foreign assistance reform.

All final performance results will be reported after yearend data is received from field operating units later in the calendar year.

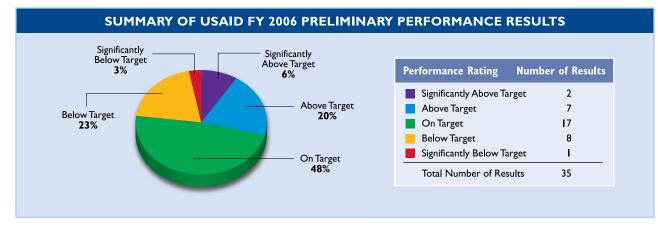
PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF USAID FY 2006 PERFORMANCE RATINGS

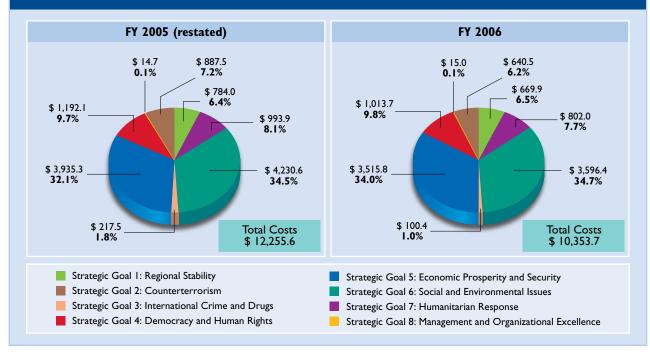
During FY 2006, USAID and the Department of State closely reviewed and significantly reduced the number of indicators used to track performance. A joint State-USAID team of performance analysts reviewed the indicator set published in the FY 2006 Joint Performance Plan, and in consultation with program managers, replaced weak indicators and imprecise targets with measures that better track progress toward highest-level outcomes and strategic goals. As a result, the number of indicators against which the Department of State and USAID are reporting in the FY 2006 PAR was reduced from 286 to 129 and of these 129 indicators, 35 are managed by USAID.

The following pie chart shows the ratings distribution for these 35 USAID performance indicators, reported across all strategic goals.

As shown, 74 percent of the ratings were "On Target", "Above Target" or "Significantly Above Target," meaning that these initiatives or programs met or exceeded performance targets.



USAID NET PROGRAM COSTS DEDICATED TO STRATEGIC GOALS (Dollars in Millions)



SUMMARY OF USAID FY 2006 RATINGS BY PERFORMANCE GOAL

The table below provides performance results, by performance goal, for each of the 35 indicators selected for reporting in this PAR. The inverted black triangle represents the average of all performance ratings assigned to results associated with the performance goal. The numbers in the graphs show how the ratings are distributed among the estimated FY 2006 results. Details on the methodology used to calculate these ratings are provided in the Performance Section.

		Average Perf	ormance R	ating and Num	ber of Rep	orted Results
Strategic Goal	Performance Goal (Total Number of Reported Results)	Significantly Below Target	Below Target	On Target	Above Target	Significantly Above Target
Regional Stability	Existing and emergent regional conflicts are contained or resolved. <i>I Result</i>	0	0	0	0	1
Counterterrorism	Stable political and economic conditions that prevent terrorism from flourishing in fragile or failing states. I Result	0	0	0	1	0
International Crime and Drugs	International trafficking in drugs, persons, and other illicit goods disrupted and criminal organizations dismantled. 2 Results	0	1	0	1	0
Democracy and Human Rights	Measures adopted to develop transparent and accountable democratic institutions, laws, and economic and political processes and practices. <i>I Result</i>	0	1	0	0	0
	Institutions, laws, and policies foster private sector-led economic growth, macroeconomic stability, and poverty reduction. 2 Results	0	0	1	1	0
Economic Prosperity and Security	sperity and integration of developing countries	0	1	0	0	0
Secure and stable financi energy markets. 1 Result		0	0	1	0	0
	Enhanced food security and agricultural development. <i>I Result</i>	0	0	0	0	1

Paula marca Carl		Average Performance Rating and Number of Repo			nber of Rep	orted Results	
Strategic Goal	Performance Goal (Total Number of Reported Results)	Significantly Below Target	Below Target	On Target	Above Target	Significantly Above Target	
	Improved global health, including child, maternal, and reproductive health, and the reduction of abortion and disease, especially HIV/ AIDS, malaria, and tuberculosis. 12 Results	0	3	8	1	0	
Social and Environmental Issues	Partnerships, initiatives, and implemented international treaties and agreements that protect the environment and promote efficient energy use and resource management. 3 Results	0	0	2	1	0	
with e	Broader access to quality education with emphasis on primary school completion. 2 Results	1	0	1	0	0	
Humanitarian ResponseEffective protection, ass and durable solutions for internally displaced per conflict victims. 3 ResultsImproved capacity of hor and the international co- reduce vulnerabilities to and anticipate and resp humanitarian emergence		0	2	0	1	0	
	Improved capacity of host countries and the international community to reduce vulnerabilities to disasters and anticipate and respond to humanitarian emergencies. <i>I Result</i>	0	0	1	0	0	
	A high performing, well-trained, and diverse workforce aligned with mission requirements. 1 Result	0	0	1	0	0	
Management and Organizational Excellence	Modernized, secure, and high quality information technology management and infrastructure that meet critical business requirements. 2 Results	0	0	1 1	1	0	
	Secure, safe, and functional facilities serving domestic and overseas staff. I Result	0	0	1	0	0	

ANALYSIS OF USAID'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SAID's financial statements, which appear in the Financial Section of this report, received for the fourth consecutive year an unqualified audit opinion issued by the USAID Office of the Inspector General (OIG). Preparing these statements is part of the Agency's goal to improve financial management and provide accurate and reliable information useful for assessing performance and allocating resources. Agency management is responsible for the integrity and objectivity of the information presented in these financial statements.

USAID prepares consolidated financial statements that include a Balance Sheet, a Statement of Net Cost, a Statement of Changes in Net Position, a Statement of Budgetary Resources, and a Statement of Financing. These statements summarize the financial activity and position of the Agency. Highlights of the financial information presented on the principal statements are provided below.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS. The Consolidated Balance Sheet shows the Agency had Total Assets of \$25.1 billion at the end of 2006. This represents a two percent increase over the previous year's Total Assets of \$24.7 billion. This is primarily the result of increased fund balances during the year as well as an increase in the USAID Foreign Currency balances.

Table 1: The Agency's assets reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheet are summarized in the following table (dollars in thousands):

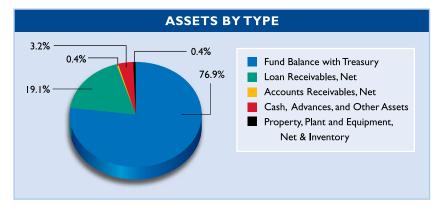
	2006	2005	2004
Fund Balance with Treasury	\$19,333,383	\$17,503,843	\$15,854,926
Loans Receivable, Net	4,810,615	5,100,249	6,108,252
Accounts Receivable, Net	91,393	902,863	1,100,968
Cash, Advances, and Other Assets	811,715	1,063,570	847,807
Property, Plant and Equipment, Net & Inventory	103,994	140,294	117,718
Total	\$25,151,100	\$24,710,819	\$24,029,671

Fund Balance with Treasury and Loans Receivable, Net, comprise the majority of USAID's assets, and together they account for over 90 percent of total assets. USAID maintains funds with Treasury to pay its operating and program expenses. These funds increased by \$1.8 billion (10.5 percent). The \$1.8 billion increase in Fund Balance with Treasury is primarily due to a liquidation of an outstanding receivable with the Commodity Credit Corporation. During 2006, the Commodity Credit Corporation changed their business practice and will provide funding simultaneously when granting obligational authority. In addition, the Commodity Credit Corporation decided to liquidate the outstanding receivable by transferring \$1 billion to USAID's Treasury account. Consequently, the intragovermental accounts receivable decreased by \$1 billion.

Loans Receivable experienced a six percent decrease from FY 2005. This is primarily due to collections made in 2006 as well as changes in the yearly credit program allowance calculations.

The chart below presents USAID's asset type by percentage for FY 2006.

Chart 1: Percentage of Assets by Type, FY 2006



LIABILITIES. As presented on the Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Agency had \$9.5 billion in Total Liabilities at the end of 2006. This amount represents a \$1.5 billion, or 14 percent decrease in Total Liabilities from the prior year.

Table 2: The Agency's Liabilities reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheet are summarized in the following table (dollars in thousands):

	2006	2005	2004
Debt & Due to U.S. Treasury	\$ 4,965,132	\$ 5,734,263	\$ 6,145,006
Accounts Payable	2,329,797	3,204,824	2,373,001
Loan Guaranty Liability	1,660,909	1,562,485	1,039,937
Other Liabilities	494,877	444,571	798,847
Total Liabilities	\$ 9,450,715	\$10,946,143	\$ 9,973,791

As reflected in Table 2, Liabilities comprised of Debt and Due to U.S. Treasury and the Accounts Payable asset type represent most of USAID's Total Liabilities. Debt and Due to Treasury combined represented 52.5 percent of Total Liabilities for FY 2006, and Accounts Payable comprised 24.7 percent of Total Liabilities for FY 2006.

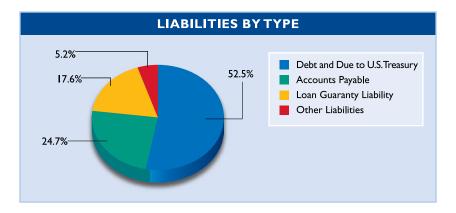
Debt and Due to Treasury combined decreased by 19.2 percent, or \$769 million, from FY 2005. Accounts Payable decreased by 27.3 percent or by \$875 million from FY 2005. Many factors are attributable to this decrease, such as a \$551 million adjustment to reduce subsidy payable to the credit program financing fund in FY 2006.

As part of intergovernmental transactions, debt that resulted from the Bureau of Public Debt (BPD) debt restructuring program increased by 12 percent, which is the result in borrowing from the Treasury. The Due to U.S. Treasury account reflecting the result of activities in pre-credit reform liquidating funds decreased by 15 percent or \$821 million.

The largest percentage change in Liabilities occurred in the non-federal line items. Specifically, Accounts Payable program funds increased \$600 million, a 24 percent increase from FY 2005. This change is primarily the result of an increase of accounts payable accruals at year end.

The chart below presents USAID's percentage of liabilities by type for FY 2006 (dollars in thousands):

Chart 2: Percentage of Liabilities by Type, FY 2006



ENDING NET POSITION. Net Position is the sum of the Unexpended Appropriations and Cumulative Results of Operations. USAID's Net Position at the end of 2006 on the Consolidated Balance Sheet and the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Position was \$15.7 billion, a \$1.9 billion increase from the previous fiscal year. Unexpended Appropriations of \$14.3 billion or 91 percent represent funds appropriated by Congress for use over multiple years that were not expended by the end of FY 2006.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The results of operations are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Net Cost and the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Position.

The Consolidated Statement of Net Cost presents the Agency's gross and net cost for its strategic goals. The net cost of operations is the gross (i.e., total) cost incurred by the Agency, less any exchange (i.e., earned) revenue. The accompanying notes to the Statement of Net Cost disclose costs by strategic goals and responsibility segments, and by intergovernmental costs and exchange revenues separately from those with the public for each strategic goal and responsibility segment. A responsibility segment is the component that carries out a mission or major line of activity, and whose managers report directly to top management. For the Agency, the pillar and regional bureaus are considered a responsibility segment. Information on the bureaus can be found in Note 18 and in the section titled "Mission Organization and Structure."

The presentation of program results by strategic goals is based on the Agency's current Joint State-USAID Strategic Plan established pursuant to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993.

The Agency's total net cost of operations for 2006, after intra-agency eliminations, was \$10.4 billion. The strategic goal, Social and Environmental Issues, represents the largest investment for the Agency at 35 percent of the Agency's net cost of operations. The net cost of operations for the remaining goals ranges from less than one percent to 29.2 percent. The following is a breakout of net cost by strategic goal.

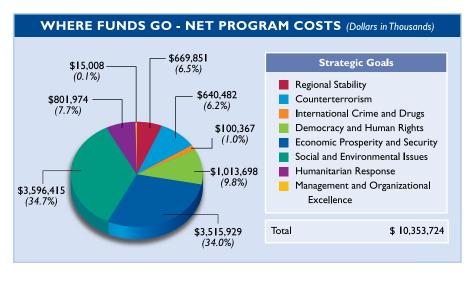


Chart 3: Net Program Costs by Strategic Goal, FY 2006 (dollars in thousands):

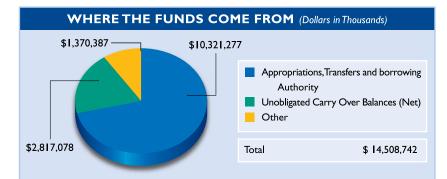
The Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Position presents the accounting items that caused the net position section of the balance sheet to change since the beginning of the fiscal year. The statement comprises two major components: Unexpended Appropriations and Cumulative Results of Operations.

Cumulative Results of Operations amount to \$1.4 billion as of September 30, 2006, an increase of 84 percent from the \$760 million balance a year earlier.

This balance is the cumulative difference, for all previous fiscal years through 2006, between funds available to USAID from all financing sources and the net cost of USAID.

The Combined Statement of Budgetary Resources provides information on how budgetary resources were made available to the Agency for the year and their status at fiscal year-end. For the year 2006, USAID had total budgetary resources of \$14.5 billion, a decrease of 2.1 percent from 2005. Budget authority of \$10.4 billion, consisted mostly of \$10.3 billion for actual appropriations and \$1.3 billion in collections. USAID incurred obligations of \$9.5 billion for the year, a small percent decrease from the \$9.8 billion of obligations incurred during 2005.

Chart 4 below, reflects Budgetary Resources that the Agency received in 2006 (dollars in thousands):



The Combined Statement of Financing reconciles the resources available to the Agency to finance operations with the net costs of operating the Agency's programs. Some operating costs, such as depreciation, do not require direct financing sources.

LIMITATIONS TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared to report the financial position and results of operations of USAID, pursuant to the requirements of 31 U.S.C. 3515(b). While the statements have been prepared from the books and records of USAID, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for federal entities and the formats prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the statements are in addition to the financial reports used to monitor and control budgetary resources which are prepared from the same books and records. The statements should be read with the realization that USAID is a component of the U.S. government, a sovereign entity.

ANALYSIS OF USAID'S SYSTEMS, CONTROLS, AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE

MANAGEMENT ASSURANCES

FEDERAL MANAGERS' FINANCIAL INTEGRITY ACT (FMFIA)

FMFIA requires agencies to establish management controls and financial systems which provide reasonable assurance that the integrity of federal programs and operations are protected. It also requires that the Agency head, based on an evaluation, provides an annual Statement of Assurance on whether USAID has met this requirement.

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS

The Management Control Review Committee (MCRC) oversees the Agency's internal control program over management operations. The MCRC is chaired by the Deputy Administrator and is composed of USAID senior managers. Individual annual certification statements from Mission Directors located overseas and Assistant Administrators (AA) in Washington, D.C., serve as the primary basis for the Agency's certification that manage-ment controls are adequate or that control deficiencies exist. The certification statements are based on informa-tion gathered from various sources, including the managers' personal knowledge of day-to-day operations and existing controls, program reviews, and other management-initiated evaluations. In addition, the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) and the Government Accountability Office (GAO) conduct reviews, audits, inspections, and investigations.

Under this program, a control deficiency occurs when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect vulnerabilities on a timely basis. Specifically, a design deficiency exists when a control necessary to meet the control objective is missing or an existing control is not properly designed, so that even if the control operates as designed, the control objective is not always met. An operation deficiency exists when a properly designed control does not operate as designed or when the person performing the control is not qualified or properly skilled to perform the control effectively. A reportable condition exists when there is a control deficiency or combination of deficiencies that management determines should be communicated because they represent significant weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control that could adversely affect the organization's ability to meet its internal control objectives. Reportable conditions that the USAID Administrator determines are significant enough to report outside of the Agency are categorized as material weaknesses. The chart below describes the criteria that the Agency considers when conducting FMFIA reviews.

FMFIA REVIEW CRITERIA

Under the FMFIA, a material weakness is a deficiency of such significance that it should be reported to the President and Congress. A weakness of this nature might:

- impair the fulfillment of the Agency's mission
- significantly weaken safeguards against waste, loss, unauthorized use, or misappropriation of funds, property, or other assets
- violate statutory or regulatory requirements
- result in a conflict of interest
- impair the Agency's ability to use reliable and timely information for decision-making.

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have directed an evaluation of the system of management controls of USAID in effect during the year ending September 30, 2006. I have taken the necessary measures to assure that the evaluation was conducted in a thorough and conscientious manner, taking into consideration the cost of implementing and maintaining appropriate controls in relation to the benefits derived from them.

Management at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control and financial management systems that meet the objectives of the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA). USAID conducted its assessment of the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control over management operations and compliance with applicable laws and regulations in accordance with OMB Circular A-123, Management's Responsibility for Internal Control. Based on the results of this evaluation, USAID is able to provide reasonable assurance that its internal control over the effectiveness and efficiency of management operations and compliance with applicable laws and regulations and financial management systems substantially comply with the objectives of FMFIA as of September 30, 2006. However, material weaknesses were noted in the areas of physical security overseas and implementation and activity monitoring in the Asia Near East (ANE) region, which are complex, long-term issues that are not completely within USAID's scope of control. However, we are taking all appropriate actions available to us to remedy these issues.

In addition, USAID management is also responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, which includes safeguarding of assets and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. USAID conducted its assessment of the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control over financial reporting in accordance with OMB Circular A-123, Management's Responsibility for Internal Control. Based on the results of this evaluation and in consideration of the inherent scope limitation due to assessing only one third of the Agency's key processes this year, USAID is able to provide a qualified statement of assurance that the internal controls over financial reporting in place as of June 30, 2006, for the four key financial processes assessed, are operating effectively with the exception of two material weaknesses identified in the area of accruals, and minor control deficiencies in all four processes. No other material weaknesses were found in the design or operation of the internal controls over financial controls over financial reporting.

Because of its inherent limitation, internal control over financial reporting, no matter how well designed, cannot provide absolute assurance of achieving financial reporting objectives and may not prevent or detect misstatements. Therefore, even if the internal control over financial reporting is determined to be effective, it can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

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Ambassador Randall L.Tobias Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance and Administrator U.S.Agency for International Development September 30, 2006

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

In December 2004, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) revised Circular A-123, Management's Responsibility for Internal Control. Circular A-123 includes a new appendix, Appendix A, Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, which requires agencies to assess, document, and report on internal control over financial reporting. USAID is committed to strengthening internal control over financial reporting and is implementing a program to continuously assess, document, and report on these controls. The Agency began working toward the implementation of this program in FY 2005. The remaining work to fully implement Appendix A will be completed over the next three years, with full implementation to conclude in FY 2008. USAID will test and assess one-third of its key processes and controls over the next three years, in FY 2006, FY 2007, and FY 2008. USAID has identified 12 key processes and will assess four each year. The key processes will be assessed as follows:

YEAR ONE – FY 2006 ¹	YEAR TWO -FY 2007	YEAR THREE – FY 2008	
■ Accruals – high risk and current	Accounts Payable – low risk and high	Budget – medium risk	
Government Management Reform Act (GMRA) material weakness	visibility Accounts Receivable – medium risk 	 Statement of Net Cost medium risk 	
 Financial Reporting – high risk 	 Advances – low risk 	 Financial Analysis and Audits 	
Fund Balance with Treasury – high risk	 Obligations – medium risk, high impact, 	– low risk	
 Credit Program – medium risk and best baseline documentation 	and testing synergies with Budget process	 Miscellaneous – low risk 	
I. It should be noted also that the Year One key processes provide a review for all of the significant financial accounts.			

The USAID Administrator is required to provide an assurance statement that accurately reflects the amount of work completed, including a scope limitation, for each of the next three years, and the results of the assessments performed. The assessment of internal control over financial reporting is performed at the Agency level and is coordinated through the Chief Financial Officer (CFO). The CFO is responsible for ensuring preparation of the Agency-wide assurance statement. The Agency Senior Assessment Team (SAT), which functions as a subset of the Management Control Review Committee (MCRC), oversees the implementation of this effort. The primary responsibilities of the SAT are to develop an overall approach, disseminate specific implementation guidance to individuals performing the assessment, report the results of the assessment to senior management, and monitor correction of control deficiencies. The Deputy CFO for Overseas Operations chairs the SAT. Other members of the SAT include representatives from key Agency offices and programs.

USAID made substantial progress in OMB Circular A-123 assessment activities during FY 2006. Specifically, management: (1) provided an initial implementation plan to OMB; (2) established a SAT as a subset of the MCRC;

(3) identified the scope of financial reports to be included in the assessment of internal control over financial reporting; (4) established materiality thresholds for planning, testing, and reporting on internal controls; (5) identified significant accounts, financial statement line items, and key processes and sub-processes to be documented and tested based on a materiality level that is more rigorous than the Agency auditors; (6) established a virtual task force, comprised of both field and Washington financial personnel, to document the Agency's key processes and procedures; and (7) completed preliminary risk assessments and testing of the first four key processes and controls.

USAID is leveraging control-related activities under other compliance efforts to meet the requirements of this initiative. To the extent possible, documentation and testing from ongoing internal control initiatives will be used. Current initiatives and activities within USAID include the following:

Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) – The annual review of USAID's information systems is a key component in the review of internal control over IT systems. The SAT will coordinate with the CIO to ensure that FISMA reviews and the results of the FISMA efforts are properly integrated in the assessment and reporting of internal control required by Appendix A.

- Improper Payments Information Act (IPIA) The IPIA requires agencies to determine and report on the amount of improper payments made during the fiscal year. In determining the extent of improper payments, the SAT will coordinate with the Cash Management and Payments Division (CMP), which is responsible for assessing and reporting under IPIA.
- Annual Financial StatementAudit-The assessment of internal control over financial reporting required by Appendix A will complement the testing of internal controls performed as part of the annual financial statement audit. The documentation and testing of controls required by Appendix A are similar to the work done by the auditors. The SAT will coordinate with the auditors regarding these efforts. This will include requesting copies of the auditor's process cycles memos. The memos will serve as a basis for management's documentation of internal control for each of the significant cycles. In addition, the SAT will review the documentation furnished to the auditors per the audit engagement letter.
- Annual Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA) Reporting The FFMIA requires that the Agency's financial management systems substantially comply with federal financial management systems requirements, applicable federal accounting standards, and the U.S. Standard General Ledger (USSGL) at the transaction level. The annual FFMIA review is a key component in the review of internal control over financial management systems. The SAT will coordinate with the CFO to ensure that FFMIA reviews and the results of the FFMIA efforts are properly integrated in the assessment and reporting of internal control required by Appendix A.
- Annual Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA) Reporting – The SAT considers current efforts performed under FMFIA. Weaknesses identified under FMFIA are included in the current assessment of internal control over financial reporting.

Implementation of Phoenix - USAID has just completed a multi-year process of implementing a new financial system, Phoenix, in field missions overseas. The Phoenix system is compliant with federal financial regulations and standards, and consists of a fully integrated worldwide database which incorporates financial operations and reporting. Due to the unique nature and variety of field mission activities, documentation was developed as the deployment progressed, incorporating lessons learned and new functionalities. Reporting tools evolved over time and were added to meet the specific Missions' needs. For the FY 2006 assessment, the SAT reviewed this documentation to determine its sufficiency to meet the requirements of internal control over financial reporting.

The Agency utilizes the services of other federal agencies to process financial data. A review of the Agency financial operations identified the following significant service providers and their activities:

- U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) National Finance Center – Payroll Services
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
 Grant Payments
- U.S. Department of State, Charleston, SC Phoenix Operations Host

USAID is using financial reports from these agencies to:

- Determine whether the reports address the process and controls relevant to the Agency's assessment process.
- Review the time period covered by the reports to determine whether they meet Agency needs.
- If the reports are deemed sufficient, review the opinion and testing exceptions identified by the service auditor and determine whether the effect on internal control is relevant to the assessment process.

If a service report does not exist, USAID will determine what procedures, if any, are needed. Additionally, the Agency will communicate with each service provider regarding the establishment of an ongoing relationship, necessary to coordinate the internal control assurance activities. USAID will employ this methodology throughout the multi-year effort.

The decentralized nature of the Agency's operations presents a significant challenge in developing a detailed test plan. The SAT, in conjunction with a contractor, is responsible for designing an overall testing plan for the Agency key processes and controls. Testing is based on several factors:

- Testing will be conducted over control activities determined to be designed effectively to meet the control objectives. If a control is not designed effectively, USAID will not test it because it would not achieve the control objective even if properly performed throughout the Agency.
- Testing of internal control will be based upon an assessment of risk. Items tested will be most likely to have a material impact on financial reporting.
- Testing will be influenced by other internal reviews, OIG inspections and audits, and other reviews and audits.

Procedures, including a combination of inquiry, observation, and tests of detail, will be used to test the operating effectiveness of key controls. Procedures will be performed at both Washington and overseas locations to ensure sufficient coverage.

Sample sizes for the detailed test of transactions will be designed using guidance in the CFO Council Implementation Guide for Circular A-123, and other professional guidance, such as the GAO/President's Counsel on Integrity and Efficiency (PCIE) Financial Audit Manual, and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) audit sampling guide.

The Agency will continue to use a combination of inhouse staff, contractors, and interns for this program. It will continue to leverage existing internal control activities (i.e., management assessments, controller assessments) to facilitate the assessments. Task forces comprised of financial management professionals will work with the SAT and contractors to perform various functions throughout the assessment of internal controls (i.e., risk assessments, documenting, testing). The assessment will be designed and incorporated in the overall FMFIA process. Testing of results will eventually be institutionalized in, and coordinated with, the Controllers' assessment program already in place for cost effectiveness and cost savings. OMB Circular A-123 requires that the Agency document its understanding of internal control throughout the assessment process. USAID completed its baseline documentation in year one. USAID will continue to improve the documentation of control activities in subsequent years to include the following:

- Planning.
- Controls at the Entity Level: USAID will use questionnaires and the GAO's Internal Control Management and Evaluation Tool in the assessment of entity-wide controls. It will continue to review existing Agency policies and procedures. Narratives summarizing observations and inquiries of management will be used to document controls at the entity level.
- Controls at the Process Level: A standard control evaluation form will be developed, based on templates provided in the CFO Council implementation guide, to evaluate internal control at the process level. Key resources for ongoing review include Agency business processes, current policies and procedures, and process summaries that may be provided by OIG and/or its contract auditors.
- Interviews will be conducted with individuals responsible for processing transactions, and a walkthrough of transactions will be performed to ensure that the actual procedures are consistent with written documentation. Where necessary, supplemental narratives and/or flowcharts will be developed.
- Significant focus is given to assessing internal controls within the information systems area of the Agency. The SAT will consult with the Agency's CIO on existing documentation related to both general and application controls over the Agency's financial systems.
- Testing at the Transaction Level: Standard working papers will be developed to document testing at the transaction level. The work papers will include use of standard formats and tickmarks, and a common indexing system.
- Reporting: Results of testing will be recorded in a standard format.

The results of assessments and testing of the financial controls will be evaluated using the following criteria:

Internal control over financial reporting should assure the safeguarding of assets from waste, loss, unauthorized use, or misappropriation, as well as assure compliance with laws and regulations pertaining to financial reporting. Financial reporting includes the annual financial statements as well as other significant internal or external financial reports. Other significant financial reports are defined as any financial reports that could have a material effect on a significant spending, budgetary, or other financial decision of the Agency or that is used to determine compliance with laws and regulations on the part of the Agency. In addition to the annual financial statements, significant reports might include quarterly financial statements, financial statements at the operating division or program level, budget execution reports, reports used to monitor specific activities, and reports used to monitor compliance with laws and regulations.

A control deficiency occurs when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect vulnerabilities on a timely basis. Specifically, a design deficiency exists when a control necessary to meet the control objective is missing or an existing control is not properly designed, so that even if the control operates as designed, the control objective is not always met. An operation deficiency exists when a properly designed control does not operate as designed or when the person performing the control is not qualified or properly skilled to perform the control effectively.

A reportable condition exists when there is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Agency's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report external financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements, or other significant financial reports, that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected.

A material weakness in internal control is a reportable condition, or combination of reportable conditions, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements, or other significant financial reports, will not be prevented or detected.

NUMBER OF FMFIA MATERIAL WEAKNESSES BY FISCAL YEAR					
Fiscal Year	Number at Beginning of Fiscal Year	Number Corrected	Number Added	Number Remaining at End of Fiscal Year	
2002	4	I	-	3	
2003	3	-	-	3	
2004	3	I	-	2	
2005	2	2	-	0	
2006	-	-	2	2	

FMFIA MATERIAL WEAKNESSES IN MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS

FMFIA MATERIAL WEAKNESSES			
Title	Fiscal Year First Identified	Corrective Action Date	
Inadequate Physical Security Overseas	2001 (as reportable condition) 2006 (as material weakness)	unknown	
Implementation and Activity Monitoring in ANE Region	2004 (as reportable condition) 2006 (as material weakness)	unknown	

As an Agency-wide accomplishment in FY 2006, USAID managers successfully completed management control reviews of the Agency's financial, program, and administrative policies, procedures, and operations. After the results from operating units were consolidated and discussed

by the MCRC, two previous reportable conditions have been elevated to material weaknesses. This forms the basis for the qualified statement of assurance provided in this report.

Inadequate physical security in USAID's overseas buildings and operations. This issue was first documented as a reportable condition in 2001. It is now considered a material weakness because USAID cannot implement cost-effective, remedial action to improve the physical security of seven of its overseas missions against the threat of vehicle-borne improvised explosive devices (VBIED).

Following the August 1998 bombings of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, the USAID Office of Security initiated a security survey of all USAID overseas facilities.

The findings revealed that more than 40 of the 90 USAID facilities lacked adequate countermeasures to mitigate the VBIED threat. Essentially, the buildings had insufficient setback from the perimeter and were not built to withstand significant blast effects.

USAID subsequently developed and continues to implement a concurrent, three-phase, remedial action plan. Phase one involves the collocation of vulnerable USAID missions on New Embassy Compounds (NEC) which are being constructed by the Department of State. Phase two involves the hardening of other USAID buildings and perimeters at posts where NEC facilities are not planned for, and where sufficient perimeter setback opportunities exist. Phase three includes the relocation of vulnerable USAID missions to Interim Office Buildings (IOB) which afford greater security until they can be collocated.

USAID has successfully relocated 45 vulnerable USAID Missions to more secure facilities since 1998. Eleven of those missions are now collocated in NEC facilities, while 34 USAID missions have been moved to IOB sites.

The FY 2005 Consolidated Appropriations Act, Public Law 108-447, authorized the Capital Security Cost Sharing (CSCS) program. The CSCS program requires all agencies with overseas personnel under Chief of Mission (COM) authority to help fund construction of 150 NECs over 14 years, at an annual rate of \$1.4 billion per year after a five-year phase-in. In the long term, this should ensure that secure facilities are provided to meet USAID space requirements; however, the Agency does not have a short term solution for seven of its vulnerable missions.

With respect to the seven missions, NEC facilities are either not planned for under the CSCS program or are several years away from the start of construction. While



USAID's former office building in Asmara, Eritrea with inadequate setback from street. PHOTO: USAID/OFFICE OF SECURITY (SEC)

the USAID Security Office has done everything possible to improve the overall physical security posture of these missions, it would not be financially prudent to spend additional money on facilities with inadequate perimeter setback and inferior building construction. The absence of suitable IOB space and inadequate funding exacerbate the situation.

Implementation and activity monitoring in the Asia and Near East (ANE) Region, most notably in Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and West Bank/Gaza. Security restrictions and, more recently, the U.S. government's "No Contact" policy toward the Hamas-led government in West Bank/Gaza, continue to inhibit travel to project sites to monitor and to meet with USAID partners. At the same time, it continues to be difficult to attract appropriately qualified staff to Missions in the critical priority countries (CPC) of Afghanistan, Iraq, and Pakistan. Together, these weaknesses limit USAID's ability to effectively implement and monitor programs and, in some cases, inhibit start-up of new programs.

During 2006, Missions in these countries continued to take steps within their authority to implement and monitor programs as well as possible. Completed and ongoing steps include improving coordination with U.S. Department of State Diplomatic Security at post; updating emergency procedures and communication systems; expanding the role of foreign service nationals (FSN), who can travel more freely, in monitoring, evaluation, and design; and expanding use of local contractors and geographic

information systems for monitoring, evaluation, and audit. USAID continues to seek adequate funding for rapidly escalating security costs, which is essential for travel in these countries. The Agency is also developing a spatially enabled management information system which will allow Missions to remotely monitor progress of construction activities in real time.

Similarly, USAID continues to make efforts to improve recruitment of appropriately skilled staff for CPCs. These steps include requiring foreign service officers participating in the 2007 assignment process to bid on a CPC, where qualified; and hiring an Ombudsman who is working with individual employees, the Department of State, other agencies and counterparts to strengthen recruiting efforts as well as incentives and training for service in CPCs. It must be noted that additional resources will be needed to support staffing incentives and other selected efforts to address this material weakness. With assignments of only one year, there are continuing challenges to keeping positions filled with qualified staff. As a relatively small agency, USAID has a limited base of qualified people for these positions. USAID works aggressively to identify qualified staff and utilizes a variety of employment mechanisms to provide qualified staff to CPCs.

Improved stability and security and progressive political agreements are the essential preconditions to resolving this weakness and are beyond the manageable interest of USAID.

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING MATERIAL WEAKNESSES

The management assurance statement reflects the status of internal control over financial reporting of four key business processes at USAID as of June 30, 2006. The four business processes included in this year's assessment are: (1) Accruals, (2) Financial Reporting, (3) Fund Balance with Treasury, and (4) Credit Programs. These processes were selected for first year assessment based on a combination of risk and qualitative factors.

Based on the review, USAID identified two material weaknesses in the Agency's internal controls over financial reporting:

- Personnel preparing the quarterly accruals have not received adequate training on how to properly document and calculate quarterly accruals.
- The reconciliation between the Accruals Reporting System (ARS) and Phoenix was not performed when data were initially transferred from one database to the other.

USAID will develop and implement corrective action plans to remediate these deficiencies.

FMFIA REPORTABLE CONDITIONS

In keeping with the Agency's core concept of increasing transparency, USAID is voluntarily disclosing the following issues as reportable conditions:

TITLE	FISCAL YEAR FIRST IDENTIFIED
Lack of Effective Systems to Manage Field Support	2004
Information Technology (IT) Governance Issues	2005
Inability to Meet Statutory Requirements for Office of Equal Opportunity Programs (EOP) Reporting	2006

Lack of effective systems to manage field support. The intent of the field support system is to provide Missions easy and flexible access to a wide variety of technical services provided by centrally-managed contract and grant agreements, in a manner that meets the changing needs, priorities, and approaches of Missions' development portfolios with minimal Mission management burden. Although progress in improving the system has been made, e.g. the integration of the Field Support-USAID system (FS-AID) with the Agency's accounting system, Phoenix, the operating procedures and processes in place continue to be excessively labor intensive. The Agency is working toward integrating field

support with the new grants and acquisition systems (JAMS and GLAS) which are scheduled to be deployed during FY 2007. Once this is accomplished, the remaining issues of accurate accruals reporting and pipeline analysis can be addressed.

IT Governance issues. Based on internal discussions with staff and other stakeholders, several deficiencies have been noted that pertain to lowering risk and increasing efficiency in the following key IT practice areas: IT strategic planning, enterprise architecture (EA), IT policy and practice standardization, and the full establishment of IT governance and best practices.

There is general agreement that funding the correction of these process control areas is in the best interest of the Agency. Internal assessments have pointed out that the Chief Information Officer (CIO) needs sufficient resources to provide effective IT governance. The lack of adequate funding, due to Agency budget cutbacks and the assignment of limited resources to higher priority tasks, is the major factor for the Office of the CIO's slow progress in resolving these issues. However, over the last year, progress has been made in several areas.

The Office of the CIO expects to make large strides during the next six months in closing these issues. Along with the realignment of the CIO's organization that is occurring, a process improvement plan has been developed, a process engineering group (PEG) has been formed, regular meetings occur to prioritize the tasks and artifacts needed, documentation is being developed, the process Web site is being updated, and staff training is occurring. Refer to the management challenges table in Section 4 of this report for more information on the status of initiatives under IT Governance.

Inability to meet statutory requirements for Equal Opportunity Programs (EOP) reporting. Regulations governing federal sector equal employment opportunity (EEO) require each agency to provide sufficient resources to its EEO program to ensure efficient and successful operation. Currently at USAID, statutory requirements are not being met:

- Complaints of discrimination are not processed within the regulatory timeframe, and not in accordance with all complaint processing procedures.
- Required annual compliance reports to oversight agencies have been submitted after required deadlines.
- The IG determined that the Agency reasonable accommodation program does not meet all regulatory requirements.
- Development of required training has been impeded.

In addition, USAID is only minimally able to maintain basic Agency-wide EEO services:

- Customer feedback consistently demonstrates an increased need for outreach and visibility of EOP efforts to meet the Agency's legal obligation for achieving diversity and affirmative employment.
- EOP's capacity to sustain diversity initiatives and plans to assess and monitor the representation of the Agency's various employment categories (i.e. Personal Service Contractors, a large segment of the USAID population); and to help the Agency achieve its Human Capital Strategic Plan objective to attain a diverse workforce are seriously diminished.
- Management decisions on budget, staffing, and other supporting resources have resulted in inadequate annual budget allocations; serious staff reductions; and the absence of automated data information and tracking systems to aid program operations.

To remedy this situation, the following actions have been taken:

- The EOP office received a fourth quarter FY 2006 budget increase of 67 percent.
- The Administrator authorized the filling of all EOP office vacancies.

FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT (FFMIA) COMPLIANCE ASSESSMENT

FFMIA is designed to improve federal financial management by requiring that financial management systems provide reliable, consistent disclosure of financial data in accordance with GAAP and standards. FFMIA requires USAID to implement and maintain a financial management system that complies substantially with:

- Federal requirements for an integrated financial management system
- Applicable federal accounting standards
- USSGL at the transaction level.

OIG is required to report on compliance with these requirements as part of the annual audit of USAID's financial statements. In successive audits prior to FY 2006,

OIG has determined that USAID's financial management systems do not substantially comply with FFMIA accounting and system requirements. The USAID Administrator has also reported this instance of noncompliance.

During FY 2006, USAID corrected the remaining deficiencies noted in its remediation plan and completed the worldwide deployment of the financial management system. Based on these accomplishments, in March 2006, the Acting USAID Administrator certified substantial compliance with FFMIA. The OIG has also determined substantial compliance in their FY 2006 CMRA audit report. A detailed discussion of the financial systems framework, structure, and strategy is included in the Financial Section of this report.



Workers build a road from Ghazni to Gardez, linking the region to the main highway connecting Kabul to major cities.

GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT REFORM ACT – AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Government Management Reform Act (GMRA) of 1994 amended the requirements of the CFO Act of 1990 by requiring the annual preparation and audit of agency-wide financial statements from the 24 major executive departments and agencies, including USAID. The statements are audited by the Agency IG. An audit report on the principal financial statements, internal controls, and compliance with laws and regulations is prepared after the audit is completed.

USAID's FY 2006 financial statements received an unqualified opinion—the best possible result of the audit process. This year marks the fourth consecutive year that USAID's financial statements have achieved such an opinion. USAID also, for the fourth year in a row, significantly accelerated the preparation and audit of the FY 2006 financial statements and associated reports. Of significant note is the fact that for the first time this year the Agency closed its financial books and records and produced the financial statements using a single integrated worldwide financial system. This indicates important progress toward the Agency's goal of providing timely, accurate, and useful financial information.

In relation to internal control, the Independent Auditor's Report cites one material weakness related to USAID's accounting and reporting of accruals. A material weakness is defined as a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing assigned functions.

The audit report also names five reportable conditions, which are detailed in the table below. Reportable conditions, though not material, are vulnerabilities in the design or operation of internal control that could adversely affect the Agency's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. USAID will continue working on these issues and is pleased that the auditors have consistently acknowledged the Agency's efforts to eliminate and reduce weaknesses. The auditors are also required to report on noncompliance with laws and regulations.

The following table summarizes the weaknesses cited in the FY 2006 Independent Auditor's Report, as well as planned actions to resolve the problems.



The Senegalese town of Koungheul had long been troubled by unsanitary conditions. Thanks to the USAID-sponsored "Clean Town" initiative, there is less litter, households bag their garbage, and puddles are filled with sand.

PHOTO: DEMOCRATIÉ ET LA GOUVERNANCE LOCALE

	SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FINDINGS FY 2006 (Refer to Independent Auditor's Report Section)	
Material Weakness	Planned Corrective Actions	Target Correction Date
Accounting and Reporting of Accruals	We have commenced a reconciliation effort which will be demonstrated during January 2007 and will be accomplished in each subsequent accruals cycle. In addition, we will review and enhance training and identify other means to improve recognition of the need for effective accrual practices.	September 30, 2007
Reportable Condition	Planned Corrective Actions	Target Correction Date
Reconciliations of Fund Balance with Treasury	We will review current procedures for consistency with the Treasury guidance and modify the procedures as appropriate. We will also consider alternatives to ensure mission reconciliation compliance.	September 30, 2007
Intragovernmental Reconciliations	Actions continue to improve reconciliations of financial data with our trading partners at other federal agencies.	September 30, 2007
Controls Over Treasury Symbol Information	In addition to reviewing procedures related to payment transactions, it is our intent to identify processes that will ensure that all types of transactions are properly identified and posted. Where corrective actions are necessary, we will resolve discrepancies as quickly as possible. Efforts to improve interfacing of transactions from the Department of Health and Human Services related to grant processing are currently underway and these actions are expected to correct this finding.	September 30, 2007
Accounting for Foreign Currency Transactions	The CFO's Phoenix team has been charged with responsibility for reviewing foreign currency accounting in Phoenix and ensuring that foreign currency accounting is improved in the upcoming year. In the meantime, we will coordinate validation of accounting information between Missions and our central accounting ledgers.	September 30, 2007
Management's Discussion and Analysis Data	Recognizing that accurate and verifiable performance information is critical to management of the Agency, USAID will re-establish policies and procedures to ensure that accurate performance information is documented and that required data quality assessments are performed.	September 30, 2007
Noncompliance with Laws and Regulations	Planned Corrective Actions	Target Correction Date
Federal Financial Management Improvement Act	Efforts to improve the overall management of Section 511 funding authority in the Phoenix accounting system operations are underway.	March 31, 2007
The Antideficiency Act	The CFO will issue an immediate notice reminding all Agency personnel of the necessity to ensure that all legal, regulatory, and internal USAID policies are followed for compliance with funds control practices.	December 15, 2006



USAID programs support primary through university education in Iraq. PHOTO: THOMAS HARTWELL

PROGRESS MADE ON ISSUES FROM FY 2005 GMRA AUDIT

USAID has taken extensive and aggressive actions during FY 2006 to address the weaknesses from the FY 2005 audit, as indicated in the table below.

SUMMA	SUMMARY OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FINDINGS FY 2005			
Material Weakness	Corrective Actions	Correction Date		
The Accruals Reporting System (ARS)	USAID no longer uses the ARS to record quarterly accruals information. Beginning in September 2006, users enter their accrual data directly into the primary accounting system via the Accrual Query. A reconciliation report has been developed to track accruals in the system.	October 31, 2006		
Reportable Condition	Corrective Actions	Correction Date		
Process for Reconciling Fund Balance with U.S.Treasury	Due to Operating Expense (OE) budget cuts and a tight Phoenix budget, a cash reconciliation tool was being considered, but was not developed and implemented before the end of this fiscal year. Reports, however, were developed that assist in tracking cash disbursement differences. Based on these reports, management can identify large discrepancies and address them. The cash reconciliation tool will be completed next fiscal year.	September 30, 2007		
Process for Recognizing and Reporting Accounts Receivable	System users have received training on how to enter Accounts Receivable transactions into the accounting system and the CFO has reinforced the requirement.	April 25, 2006		
Intragovernmental Reconciliation Process	Desk procedures have been established for USAID's reporting and reconciliation of Intragovernmental transactions. The Intragovernmental procedures are used in conjunction with Treasury's Federal Intragovernmental Transactions Accounting Policies Guide. The Intragovernmental procedures established a system to review transactions reported under Trading Partner 99 on a quarterly basis to ensure that they are properly classified and appropriately reported.	March 15, 2006		

FEDERAL INFORMATION SECURITY MANAGEMENT ACT (FISMA)

FISMA, part of the Electronic Government Act of 2002, provides the framework for securing the federal government's information systems. Agencies covered by FISMA are required to report annually to OMB and Congress on the effectiveness of their information security programs. Specifically, FISMA requires agencies to have: (1) periodic risk assessments; (2) information security policies, procedures, standards, and guidelines; (3) delegations of authority to the CIO to ensure compliance with policy; (4) security awareness training programs; (5) procedures for detecting, reporting, and responding to security incidents; and (6) plans to ensure continuity of operations. FISMA also requires an annual independent evaluation of the Agency's information security program by the Agency IG. This report is separate from the Performance and Accountability Report (PAR). Weaknesses found under FISMA are to be identified as a significant deficiency, reportable condition, or other

weakness, and FISMA weaknesses that fall into the category of significant deficiency are required to be reported as a material weakness under the FMFIA. This year's evaluation concluded that USAID generally met the requirements of FISMA, and that the Agency has made many positive strides in addressing information security weaknesses. However, USAID still faces several important challenges in the areas of certification and accreditation, contingency planning, risk assessments, security categorizations, and establishing policies and procedures. Based on last year's report, Congress awarded an A+ (a perfect 100) to USAID in recognition of the exceptional status of the information security program. USAID is the first and only federal agency to receive this distinction. USAID has developed an excellent risk-based information security program that includes processes, training, and security technologies, and the Agency expects to continue to receive high marks for its work in this area.

IMPROPER PAYMENTS INFORMATION ACT (IPIA) REPORTING

ongress has enacted several provisions of law aimed at improving the integrity of the government's payments and the efficiency of its programs and activities, including the Improper Payments Information Act (IPIA) of 2002 (Public Law No. 107-300). An improper payment is any payment that should not have been made or that was made in an incorrect amount under statutory, contractual, and administrative or other legally applicable requirements. Incorrect amounts are overpayments and underpayments (including inappropriate denials of payment or service). An improper payment includes any payment that was made to an ineligible recipient or for an ineligible service, duplicate payments, payments for services not received, and payments that are for the incorrect amount.

Summarized below are the Agency's IPIA accomplishments and future plans for identifying improper payments in accordance with the IPIA and Appendix C (Requirements for Effective Measurement and Remediation of Improper Payments) to OMB Circular A-123, Management Accountability and Control.

SUMMARY OF FY 2006 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

During FY 2006, the Agency strengthened existing efforts in meeting the President's goal to eliminate improper payments.

USAID reassessed the risk assessment and the full inventory of all programs that were previously identified and reported to OMB in 2004. As in 2004, USAID's 2006 risk assessment and in-depth review concluded that all of its programs are at a low risk for improper payment and the error rate continues to decline and is far below the OMB guidance thresholds.

However, the Agency felt it was still necessary to conduct various levels of internal improper payment reviews and samplings for all USAID programs and payment activities throughout the year and, in fact, identified two payment activities that warranted further scrutiny. The Agency focused its in-depth review and samplings on USAID's contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements as well as the cash disbursements program activities since they represent 77 percent of USAID's total 2006 outlays. Additionally, all new programs, high profile programs, and high dollar programs were considered as risk-susceptible programs and subject to further analysis, review, and recovery.

The Agency developed various reports and data mining tools to review its payment activities for erroneous payments processed through the accounting system, Phoenix. Currently, all payment activities are subject to a series of monthly internal reviews by CFO staff who analyze and compare data outputs/reports, cross-reference and compare this data to ensure that payment data is accurate, and monitor the improper payment rate on an ongoing basis. The sampling of the financial systems review includes setting report parameters to identify all potential duplicate payments by vendor, invoice number, and dollar value. Each potential improper payment that is identified is investigated regardless of the dollar value. The monthly reports reviewed include the Phoenix Disbursement, Metric Tracking System (MTS) Indicator, Schedule of Disbursements and Credits (SF1098), Cash Management and Payment Metric, and the Penalty Interest reports.

FUTURE PLANS

A major milestone was accomplished in August 2006 with the completion of the overseas rollout of Phoenix. Now that the Office of the CFO has the capability to access and monitor USAID's payment activities worldwide in Phoenix, future IPIA review efforts of worldwide payment activities will be more streamlined, yielding enhanced effectiveness, efficiency, and results.

During 2006, the Office of the CFO explored the feasibility of using various professional recovery auditor services to assist in the identification and recovery of potential erroneous payments, and engaged the services of Horn & Associates, Inc., Recovery Auditors. The contract is in place and several of the security clearances have been completed. It is anticipated that the recovery auditors will be on board in November 2006. The Agency embraces the opportunity and looks forward to working closely with the recovery auditors in identifying risk susceptible programs and recovering potential improper payments.

The prospects for additional and significant improper payment reductions in the coming years are promising due to the innovative tools and controls that are now in place.

OTHER MANAGEMENT INFORMATION, INITIATIVES, AND ISSUES

THE PRESIDENT'S MANAGEMENT AGENDA

The President's Management Agenda (PMA) is the President's strategy for improving the management and performance of the federal government. USAID has made significant progress in its business transformation and this has been reflected in the Agency's progress and status scores on each of the PMA's government-wide initiatives. Issued quarterly by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), a Management Scorecard rates progress and overall status in each of the PMA initiatives using a color-coded system of red, yellow, and green. For more information on the PMA and the Management Scorecard, please visit http://www.whitehouse.gov/results/agenda/index.html

As of September 30, 2006, USAID had six green scores and one yellow score for progress toward its seven initiatives. The Agency currently has green status scores for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and Budget and Performance Integration; yellow status scores for Human Capital, Financial Performance, E-Government, and Real Property; and red status for Competitive Sourcing.

The following pages present an overview of USAID's PMA Scorecard as of September 30, 2006.

PROGRESS

USAID STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN CAPITAL

STATUS

Goal

Build, sustain, and deploy effectively a skilled, knowledgeable, diverse, and high-performing workforce aligned with strategic objectives.

Progress

- Demonstrated refinements in the Agency's workforce model to assist in budget and regionalization decisions.
- Completed "Manage to Budget" pilots.
- Improved Agency's accountability system which resulted in the approval of the Agency accountability system by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Panel.
- Conducted the Federal Human Capital Survey (FHCS).
- Conducted review of the general schedule (GS) performance management beta site and resubmitted the Performance Appraisal Assessment Tool (PAAT).
- Updated succession plan on leadership based on OPM's review.
- Met major milestones for Proud to Be Version IV (PTB IV) and demonstrated progress in closing gaps in Mission Critical Occupation(s) (MCO), human resources (HR), information technology (IT), leadership and submitted report.

Upcoming Actions

- Begin "Manage to Budget" implementation.
- Continue corrective actions identified in System Accountability Initiative, and submit written response to OPM audit.
- Analyze results of FHCS to strengthen human capital (HC) systems if results are received.
- Refine Workforce Planning Model based on Transformational Diplomacy direction. Conduct gap analysis based on changes.
- Meet Learning Management System (LMS) targets.
- Work with OPM on improvements to PAAT beta site.
- Continue to demonstrate progress on PTB IV milestones and MCOs, HR, IT, time to hire, leadership, etc.
- Strengthen Agency recruitment process based on analysis of Delegated Examining Unit (DEU) audit, OPM Career Patterns Guide, and Chief Human Capital Officer (CHCO) Satisfaction Surveys; and report on results.
- Complete management assessment of regional bureaus.
- Meet Electronic Official Personnel Folder (e-OPF) targets.
- Revise USAID survey.
- Ensure alignment of Senior Executive Service (SES) plan with Agency Strategic goals and objectives.
- Update Leadership/Knowledge of Management portions of Program Management Plan (PMP).

IMPROVED FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



Goal

PROGRESS

Improve accountability through audited financial statements; strengthen management controls; implement financial systems that produce timely, accurate, and useful financial information to facilitate better performance measurement and decision-making.

Progress

- Completed Phoenix post-implementation review.
- Transitioned to steady state following completion of Phoenix worldwide rollout.
- On August 23 provided a preliminary OMB Circular A-123 Appendix A assurance statement based on draft testing results; briefed OMB on USAID program and implementation approach.
- Determined Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA) and OMB Circular A-123 Appendix A material weaknesses and finalized required OMB Circular A-123 assurance statements.
- Met with OMB to discuss approach for assessing significant risk of improper payments in any of its programs.
- Revised Green Plan based on OMB comments.
- Completed Agency-wide year-end close using Phoenix for the first time.

- Issue FY 2006 Performance and Accountability Report (PAR) on time (by November 15, 2006) and submit draft PAR to OMB for review and clearance at least 10 days before the due date.
- Receive unqualified audit opinion on all financial statements for FY 2006.
- Continue efforts to fully implement new requirements of OMB Circular A-123, utilizing 3-year plan.
- Revise Green Plan based on OMB recommendations and reach agreement on next steps and estimated Green date.
- Submit updated draft OMB Circular A-123 Assurance Statement by October 25, 2006.
- Review corrective action plans for all new and repeat weaknesses with OMB.

BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE INTEGRATION

STATUS

Goal

Improve performance of programs and management by linking performance to budget decisions and improve performance tracking/ management. The ultimate goal is to better control resources and have greater accountability of results. Eventual integration of existing segregated and burdensome paperwork requirements for measuring the government's performance and competitive practices with budget reporting.

Progress

- Updated Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART) improvement plans (due August 2, 2006).
- Efficiency measures report submitted on time (due August 15, 2006).
- Finalized Proud to Be by July 14, 2006 laying out major actions for FY 2007 that will keep USAID at Green Status.
- Briefed OMB senior management on how the new planning and budgeting system will support the integration of
 performance and budget.
- Finalized Five-Year Foreign Assistance Goal and Objectives Framework which will serve as key component of the Joint State-USAID Strategic Plan for FY 2008 - FY 2012.
- Met with and provided OMB documentation by July 31, 2006, on format and content plans for the FY 2008 Budget Submission.

- Submit USAID Final PAR, incorporating joint Performance Section with Department of State, based on FY 2006 State-USAID Joint Performance Plan by November 15, 2006. Submit draft PAR to OMB for review and clearance at least 10 days before the due date.
- FY 2007 Operational Plan Guidance that explains the new database system capturing integrated performance and budget information completed and issued to USAID (and Department of State) operating units.
- Conduct worldwide training for USAID and Department of State on preparation and use of Operational Plans (described above).
- Update all PART performance data, improvement plans, and funding by November 20, 2006.
- Work with OMB to ensure performance information is integrated into Congressional Budget Justification in a meaningful way.
- Establish a green plan for improving performance and efficiency.
- Begin review with OMB on new definition of PART programs.
- Submit draft FY 2008 Foreign Assistance Congressional Budget Justification material to OMB by December 31, 2006.
- Submit complete draft Joint Strategic Plan with USAID to OMB in first quarter 2007. Finalize for distribution by February 5, 2007.

COMPETITIVE SOURCING



Goal

Achieve efficient, effective competition between public/private sources; establish infrastructure to support competitions and validate savings and/or significant performance improvements.

Progress

- Announced streamlined competition with Most Efficient Organization (MEO) for directives/records management.
- Began monitoring cost performance of MEO for USAID/Washington (W) facility management services.
- Awarded contract to support feasibility assessments and began the assessment of two new Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act Inventory (FAI) commercial activities.

- Substantially complete streamlined competition with MEO for Directives and Records Management functions begun at end of fourth quarter of FY 2006.
- Complete business analysis/feasibility study of visual services business activity begun at the end of the fourth quarter. Subject
 to Business Transformation Executive Committee (BTEC) and Competitive Sourcing Official (CSO) endorsement, initiate and
 complete preliminary planning and make a final competition decision. Begin selection of Agency Competitive Sourcing (CS)
 support contractor in preparation for FedBizOpps announcement early in the second quarter.
- Identify an additional Agency commercial code B activity for business case/feasibility study.
- Begin work on 2007 FAI submission.
- Prepare OMB 647 submission regarding FY 2006 CS accomplishments.
- Update USAID "Yellow" CS strategic plan to reflect foreign affairs reforms including management assessments of USAID/W functions and organizations, and changes in USAID's 2006 FAI submission to OMB.

EXPANDED ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT

Goal

Expand the federal government's use of electronic technologies (such as e-Clearance, Grants.gov, and e-Regulation), so that Americans can receive high-quality government service, reduce the expense and difficulty of doing business with the government, cut government operating costs, and make government more transparent and accountable.

Progress

- Began deployment of the Performance Based Management System (PBMS) using Earned Value Management (EVM) consistent with American National Standards Institute/Electronics Industries Alliance (ANSI/EIA) Standard 748 (a).
- Completed the development of the PBMS/EVMA System Description Document; Initiated PBMS/EVMS Pilot Phase.
- Provided EVMS Baseline for the Procurement System Improvement Project and monthly status reports for Technology Modernization.
- Monitored the use and published utilization, execution of E-Government and Line of Business (LoB) initiatives.
- Submitted quarterly Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) update to OMB.
- Designated a Chief Privacy Officer (CPO) to expanded Senior Agency Official for Privacy (SAOP) Privacy Program duties.
- Posted 75 percent of discretionary grant applications packages on Grants.gov including all discretionary grant programs using only the SF-424 family of forms.
- Implemented the use of Federal Procurement Data System-Next Generation for all required transactions over \$2,500.
- Finalized milestones for quarterly Enterprise Architecture (EA) reporting with OMB on July 10, 2006, and submitted first report.
- USAID designated a Senior Agency Official for Geospatial Information per OMB Memorandum 06-07.
- Submitted list of impacted investments and baseline cost estimates for IT investments being modified, replaced, or retired due to Agency use of an E-Gov or LoB initiative September 30, 2006 in compliance with M-06-22.

Upcoming Actions

- Deploy the PBMS using EVM consistent with ANSI/EIA Standard 748 (a) for all appropriate investments within the IT
 portfolio and continued to expand adoption of EVM throughout the Agency.
- Work with the Department of State to deploy interim Personal Identity Verification Version II / Phase 2 (PIV-II) solution to meet the October 27, 2006 deadline.
- Provide OMB the Agency's and Inspector General (IG) response to privacy questions in FISMA report.
- Monitor use and publish utilization execution of E-Gov initiatives.
- Submit quarterly FISMA update to OMB.
- Submit annual FISMA report to OMB.
- Submit quarterly EA progress reports to OMB.
- Submit annual E-Government Report by October 20, 2006 in compliance with M-06-25.
- Determine and submit internal funding plans to OMB in advance and for the preparation of the 2007 Report to Congress on the benefits of E-Government.
- Use Joint Enterprise Architecture (JEA) business architecture to identify and prioritize business functions that should be addressed and focused EA resources on getting results from actions in those areas.
- Use the EA to help guide investment decisions concerning the investment portfolio and reflected it in the EA transition plan.
- Develop Joint EA on selected Joint Management Council (JMC) business segments.
- Update JEA Transition Strategy with major investments and JMC initiatives
- Submit a revised Exhibit 53 by Friday, December 29, 2006 via ITWeb.

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STATUS

FAITH-BASED & COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

Goal

Identify and remove the inexcusable barriers that thwart the work of faith-based and community organizations.

Progress

- Provided interim reports on New Partner's Initiative.
- Submitted final report for Geneva Global Pilot Project (written by the awardee).
- Secured funding for the FY 2006 data collection.
- Continued to monitor compliance with equal treatment regulation.
- Continued with plan for outreach to USAID mission staff to explain the Initiative, general regulation, and provide OMB with notice of upcoming conference opportunities.

Upcoming Actions

- Provide interim reports on New Partner's Initiative.
- Continue to monitor compliance with equal treatment regulation.
- Continue with plan for outreach to USAID mission staff to explain the Initiative, general regulation.
- Provide OMB with notice of any upcoming conference opportunities.
- Develop or update new outreach materials including USAID Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiative (CFBCI) Web site.
- Complete draft of FY 2005 Annual Report summarizing activities of CFBCI.
- Meet White House data collection deliverable for FY 2006 data.

STATUS

REAL PROPERTY

STATUS

Goal

To promote the efficient and economical use of America's real property assets.

Progress

- Finalized the three-year rolling timeline.
- Continued to develop interim targets and long term goals for the Federal Real Property Council (FRPC) performance measures.
- Determined future disposition of identified assets.
- Identified assets prioritized for investment.
- Provided evidence that the Asset Management Plan (AMP) is being implemented to achieve real property management.

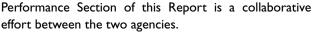
- Meet all milestones established in the Three-Year Timeline and Proud to Be Version IV (PTB IV).
- Coordinate the reporting of USAID's data to the Federal Real Property Profile (FRPP) via the Department of State Real Property Application (RPA) system.
- Finalize the interim targets and long term goals for the FRPC performance measures.
- Establish FY 2007 disposal goal by identifying specific assets for disposal.
- Use lease benchmarking figures obtained from Overseas Buildings Operations (OBO) to analyze posts in the 90th percentile of lease costs.
- Demonstrate initial use of real property inventory and performance reports by USAID.
- Continue to verify the reported condition index data and complete the prioritized investment list.
- Finalize protocol to work jointly with the Department of State to conduct condition assessments for data validation.

FINANCIAL SECTION



MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

he Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2006 is the Agency's principal publication and report to the President and the American people on our stewardship and management of the public funds to which we have been entrusted. In addition to financial performance, this Report also covers policy and program performance – how well the Agency implemented its goals and objectives. Consistent with the joint Department of State/USAID strategic framework and plan, the



I am pleased to report that for the fourth year in a row, USAID received an unqualified or "clean" opinion from our Inspector General on all five of the Agency's principal financial statements. In addition, we continue to meet accelerated financial and performance reporting deadlines. With these accomplishments, the American people can have confidence that the financial and performance information presented here is timely, accurate, and reliable. At the same time, we achieved a number of other key goals:

- In keeping with USAID's commitment to implement a unified, integrated financial management system that substantially complies with system requirements under the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA), we successfully completed the worldwide installation of Phoenix, the new financial management system, in June. Phoenix is now the accounting system of record for the Agency, including 51 overseas missions, and all appropriated fund accounting transactions are now recorded in this system.
- USAID is committed to minimizing the risk of making erroneous or improper payments to contractors, grantees, and customers. We have an aggressive system

in place to monitor payments, especially for high profile programs, including the Global War on Terror.

We also implemented a solid program to comply with new requirements for internal controls over financial reporting. Twelve key financial processes have been identified at USAID. We spent the first year implementing this program, documenting processes and controls, and assessing and testing the highest risk areas. We will continue our efforts to

implement this program over the next two years, with initial assessments completed by the end of fiscal year 2008.

- In November 2005, the Phoenix hardware and operations were moved to the Department of State's Charleston Financial Services Center. This consolidation will result in cost-savings to the taxpayer. By physically co-locating State and USAID financial system operations, the State team can support many of the aspects of running Phoenix, such as maintaining the hardware, database, and storage, that they already support for their own financial management system.
- With respect to the President's Management Agenda (PMA), USAID has maintained a "green" progress score on the scorecard for Improving Financial Management. To get to a "green" status score, USAID needs to have systems and processes institutionalized that will provide accurate and timely data that is used by managers to answer critical business and management questions. We continue to work hard in order to achieve success in this area.
- We also took aggressive actions to eliminate and reduce vulnerabilities associated with auditor-reported weaknesses identified in the FY 2005 Government Management Reform Act (GMRA) audit.



In support of foreign assistance reform and the new joint performance reporting system, we worked closely with the Department of State on developing Operational Plan policy guidance and training as well as on designing the new Foreign Assistance Coordination and Tracking System (FACTS) to be used for collecting budget and performance data from the operational plans worldwide.

The Independent Auditor's Report on USAID's Consolidated Financial Statements, Internal Controls, and Compliance for FY 2006 contains one new material weakness related to accounting and reporting of accruals. The audit report also includes several audit recommendations and reportable conditions. We have accepted responsibility for addressing these issues and expect to take final actions by the end of FY 2007. We foresee no major impediments to correcting these weaknesses. Additional details regarding the weaknesses and our specific plans for addressing the audit recommendations can be found in this Report. Actions taken regarding issues from the FY 2005 audit are also included in this Report. While we are pleased with our accomplishments in FY 2006, we will strive to improve all aspects of performance and to maintain higher financial management standards in FY 2007. We will also continue to promote effective internal controls and focus on implementation of the PMA and other financial management initiatives. I am confident that we will resolve any impediments that could affect the IG's ability to issue an unqualified audit opinion next year, and we will continue to meet the accelerated reporting deadline.

Lisa D. Fuly

Lisa D. Fiely Chief Financial Officer November 15, 2006

AUDIT RESULTS

n the Office of Inspector General's (OIG) opinion, USAID's consolidated balance sheets, consolidated statements of changes in net position, consolidated statements of net cost, combined statements of budgetary resources, and consolidated statements of financing present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of USAID as of September 30, 2006 and 2005; and its net cost, net position, and budgetary resources for the years then ended are in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The audit identified one material internal control weakness and five reportable conditions. The material internal control weakness relates to USAID's accounting and reporting of accruals.

The reportable conditions relate to USAID's:

- Reconciliations of its fund balance with the U.S.Treasury
- Intragovernmental reconciliations
- Controls over Treasury symbols
- Accounting for foreign currency transactions
- Management's Discussion and Analysis data

The results of the OIG's tests indicate that USAID substantially complied with Federal financial management systems requirements, accounting standards, and the U.S. Standard General Ledger at the transaction level, as required by Section 803(a) of the Federal Financial Management Improvement Act (FFMIA). The OIG's report on compliance identifies areas for improvement over several financial system processes, not affecting substantial compliance, and two Antideficiency Act violations.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

U.S. Agency for International Development **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET** As of September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 2006	FY 2005
ASSETS:		
ntragovernmental:		
Fund Balance with Treasury (Note 2)	\$ 19,333,383	\$ 17,503,843
Accounts Receivable (Note 3)	220	823,246
Other (Note 4)	24,874	30,575
Total Intragovernmental	19,358,477	18,357,664
Cash and Other Monetary Assets (Note 5)	327,598	283,002
Accounts Receivable, Net (Note 3)	91,173	79,617
Direct Loan and Loan Guarantees, Net (Note 6)	4,810,615	5,100,249
Inventory and Related Property, Net (Note 7)	53,345	44,122
General Property, Plant, and Equipment, Net (Notes 8 and 9)	103,994	96,172
Advances and Prepayments (Note 4)	405,898	749,993
Total Assets	25,151,100	24,710,819
IABILITIES (Note 16):		
Intragovernmental:	(2.07/	24.222
Accounts Payable (Note 10)	62,076	24,232
Debt (Note 11)	474,055	422,602
Due to U.S. Treasury (Note 11)	4,491,077 42,651	5,311,661
Other (Notes 12)	,	30,510
Total Intragovernmental	5,069,859	5,789,005
Accounts Payable (Note 10)	2,267,721	3,180,592
Loan Guarantee Liability (Note 6)	1,660,909	1,562,485
Federal Employee and Veteran's Benefits (Note 14)	23,438	23,726
Other (Notes 12, 13, and 14)	428,788	390,335
Total Liabilities	9,450,715	10,946,143
Commitments and Contingension (Nets 15)	3,000	
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 15)	5,000	_
IET POSITION:		
Unexpended Appropriations	14,334,819	3,004, 74
Cumulative Results of Operations	I,362,566	760,502
Total Net Position	15,697,385	13,764,676
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$25,151,100	\$24,710,819

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

U.S. Agency for International Development CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF NET COST For the Years Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Dollars in Thousands)

(Donars in Thousands)		
GOAL	FY 2006	FY 2005
Regional Stability		
Gross Costs	\$ 670,710	\$ 784,590
Less: Earned Revenues	(859)	(624)
Net Program Costs	669,85 I	783,966
Counterterrorism		
Gross Costs	640,971	887,866
Less: Earned Revenues	(489)	(413)
Net Program Costs	640,482	887,452
International Crime and Drugs		
Gross Costs	100,596	217,697
Less: Earned Revenues	(229)	(385)
Net Program Costs	100,367	217,311
Democracy and Human Rights		
Gross Costs	1,017,380	1,196,972
Less: Earned Revenues	(3,682)	(5,015)
Net Program Costs	1,013,698	1,191,958
Economic Prosperity and Security		
Gross Costs	3,528,481	3,942,326
Less: Earned Revenues	(12,552)	(7,522)
Net Program Costs	3,515,929	3,934,804
Social and Environmental Issues		
Gross Costs	3,781,302	4,297,366
Less: Earned Revenues	(184,887)	(66,525)
Net Program Costs	3,596,415	4,230,840
Humanitarian Response		
Gross Costs	802,972	1,188,454
Less: Earned Revenues	(998)	(193,809)
Net Program Costs	801,974	994,645
Management and Organizational Excellence		
Gross Costs	15,065	14,686
Less: Earned Revenues	(57)	(37)
Net Program Costs	15,008	14,649
Net Costs of Operations (Notes 17 and 18)	\$ 10,353,724	\$12,255,626

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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U.S. Agency for International Development CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION For the Years Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Dollars in Thousands)

		FY 2006		FY 2005
	All Other Funds	Eliminations	Consolidated Total	Consolidated Total
Cumulative Results of Operations:				
Beginning Balances	\$ 760,502	\$ –	\$ 760,502	\$ 660,493
Adjustments:			-	
Changes in Accounting Principles	-	-	-	-
Corrections of Errors	-	-	-	-
Beginning Balances, as adjusted	760,502	_	760,502	660,493
Budgetary Financing Sources:				
Other Adjustments	-	-	-	-
Appropriations Used	9,675,521	-	9,675,521	11,065,445
Non-exchange Revenue	_	-	-	-
Donations and Forfeitures of Cash and Cash Equivalents	71,962	-	71,962	109,782
Transfers-in/out without Reimbursement	1,189,017	_	1,189,017	1,165,437
Other	-	-	-	-
Other Financing Sources (Non-Exchange):				
Donations and Forfeitures of Property	_	-	-	-
Transfers-in/out without Reimbursement	_	-	-	(1,823)
Imputed Financing	19,288	_	19,288	16,794
Other	-	-	-	-
Total Financing Sources	10,955,788	_	10,955,788	12,355,635
Net Cost of Operations	(10,353,724)	-	(10,353,724)	(12,255,626)
Net Change	602,064	_	602,064	100,009
Cumulative Results of Operations	1,362,566	-	1,362,566	760,502
Unexpended Appropriations:				
Beginning Balance	13,004,174	-	13,004,174	13,395,387
Adjustments:				
Change in Accounting Principle	-	_	_	-
Corrections of Errors	-	-	-	(383,145)
Beginning Balance, as Adjusted	13,004,174	-	13,004,174	13,012,242
Budgetary Financing Sources:				
Appropriations Received	10,238,890	-	10,238,890	10,048,521
Appropriations Transferred in/out	845,076	_	845,076	2,070,251
Other Adjustments	(77,800)	-	(77,800)	(1,061,395)
Appropriations Used	(9,675,521)	_	(9,675,521)	(11,065,445)
Total Budgetary Financing Sources	1,330,645	_	1,330,645	(8,068)
Total Unexpended Appropriations	14,334,819	_	14,334,819	13,004,174
Net Position	\$15,697,385	\$ –	\$15,697,385	\$ 13,764,676

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

U.S.Agency for International Development COMBINED STATEMENT OF BUDGETARY RESOURCES For the Years Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 2	2006	FY 2	2005
	Budgetary	Credit Program Financing	Budgetary	Credit Program Financing
Budgetary Resources:				
Unobligated Balance, brought forward, October 1:	\$ 3,262,407	\$ 1,024,789	\$ 2,437,323	\$ 1,001,713
Recoveries of prior year unpaid obligations	276,771	-	1,138,496	-
Budget Authority				
Appropriation	10,321,277	-	10,116,585	-
Borrowing Authority	-	52,026	2,000	310,947
Contract Authority	-	_	_	_
Spending Authority from Offsetting Collections				
Earned				
Collected	862,464	447,625	1,443,194	421,647
Change in Receivables from Federal Sources	3,620	-	351	-
Change in Unfilled Customer Orders				
Advance Received	-	-	-	-
Without Advance from Federal Sources	4,652	-	3,021	-
Anticipated for rest of year, Without Advances	_	_	_	-
Previously Unavailable	-	_	_	_
Expenditure Transfers from Trust Funds	-	-	_	-
Subtotal	11,192,013	499,651	11,565,151	732,594
Nonexpenditure Transfers, Net, Anticipated and Actual	(332,548)	_	(273,731)	-
Temporarily not Available Pursuant to Public Law	-	_	_	-
Permanently not Available	(1,414,341)	_	(1,779,260)	_
Total Budgetary Resources	12,984,302	1,524,440	13,087,979	1,734,307
Status of Budgetary Resources:				
Obligations Incurred:				
Direct	9,001,401	101,835	9,756,791	709,518
Reimbursable	85,53 I	-	59,212	-
Subtotal	9,086,932	101,835	9,816,003	709,518
Unobligated Balance:	.,,.=	. ,	.,	,
Apportioned	3,885,852	1,422,605	3,262,407	1,024,789
Exempt from Apportionment	_	_	_	_
Subtotal	3,885,852	1,422,605	3,262,407	1,024,789
Unobligated Balance not Available	11,518	-	9,569	_
Total Status of Budgetary Resources	12,984,302	1,524,440	\$13,087,979	1,734,307

U.S. Agency for International Development COMBINED STATEMENT OF BUDGETARY RESOURCES (continued) For the Years Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 2	2006	FY 2	.005
	Budgetary	Credit Program Financing	Budgetary	Credit Program Financing
Change in Obligated Balance:				
Obligated Balance, Net				
Unpaid Obligations, Brought Forward, October 1	10,287,030	3,288	10,824,552	11,031
Less: Uncollected Customer Payments from Federal Sources, Brought Forward, October 1	(11,306)	_	(8,284)	_
Total Unpaid Obligated Balance, Net	10,275,724	3,288	10,816,266	,03
Obligations Incurred Net (+/-)	9,086,932	101,835	9,120,171	709,517
Less: Gross Outlays	(7,296,208)	(101,352)	(8,275,519)	(717,260)
Obligated Balance Transferred, Net				
Actual Transfers, Unpaid Obligations (+/-)	-	_	-	-
Actual Transfers, Uncollected Customer Payments from Federal Sources, (+/-)	_	_	_	_
Total Unpaid Obligated Balance Transferred, Net	_	_	_	_
Less: Recoveries of Prior Year Unpaid Obligations, Actual	(276,771)	_	(1,138,496)	_
Change in Uncollected Customer Payments from Federal Sources (+/-)	(8,264)	-	(3,021)	-
Obligated Balance, Net, End of Period				
Unpaid Obligations	11,170,983	3,772	10,287,030	3,288
Less: Uncollected Customer Payments from Federal Sources	(19,930)	-	(11,306)	-
Total, Unpaid Obligated Balance, Net, End of Period	11,151,053	3,772	10,275,724	3,288
Net Outlays:				
Gross Outlays	7,926,208	101,352	8,275,519	717,260
Less: Offsetting Collections	(861,043)	(447,625)	(1,441,693)	(421,647)
Less: Distributed Offsetting Receipts	(41,784)	_	(195,568)	_
Net Outlays	\$ 7,023,381	\$ (346,273)	\$ 6,638,258	\$ 295,613

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U.S. Agency for International Development CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCING For the Years Ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 (Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 2006	FY 2005
Resources Used to Finance Actvities:		
Budgetary Resources Obligated		
Obligations Incurred	\$ 9,188,767	\$ 10,525,521
Appropriations Transferred to/from Other Agencies (net)	2,443,013	2,517,433
Total Obligations Incurred	11,631,780	13,042,954
Less: Spending Authority from Offsetting Collections and Recoveries	(1,595,132)	(3,006,709
Spending Authority Transferred to/from Other Agencies (net)	(206,763)	680,727
Total Spending Authority from Offsetting Collections and Recoveries	(1,801,895)	(2,325,982)
Obligations Net of Offsetting Collections and Recoveries	9,829,885	10,716,972
Less: Offsetting Receipts	41,784	195,568
Net Obligations	9,871,669	10,912,540
Other Resources		
Transfers in/out without Reimbursement (+/-)		(1,823
Imputed Financing From Costs Absorbed by Others	19,288	16,794
	17,200	10,774
Other (+/-) Net other resources used to finance activities	19,288	4,97
Total Resources Used to Finance Activities	9,890,957	10,927,511
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Resources Used to Finance Items not Part of the Net Cost of Operations:		
Change in Budgetary Resources Obligated for Goods, Services and Benefits Ordered, But not yet Provided (+/-)	88,932	468,419
Resources that Fund Expenses Recognized in Prior Periods	(1,952)	(5,731
Budgetary Offsetting Collections and Receipts that do not Affect Net Cost of Operations		
Credit Program Collections which Increase Liabilities for Loan Guarantees or Allowances for Subsidy	1,173,507	1,283,309
Other	(122,998)	(307,506
Resources that Finance the Aquistion of Assets	(55,175)	(47,894
Other Resources or Adjustments to Net Obligated Resources that do not Affect Net Cost of Operations (+/-)	(390,218)	(411,387
Total Resources Used to Finance Items Not Part of Net Cost of Operations	692,096	979,210
Total Resources Used to Finance Net Cost of Operations	10,583,053	11,906,721
Components of the Net Cost of Operations that will not Require or Generate Resources in the Current Period:		
Components Requiring or Generating Resources in Future Periods:		
Increase in Annual Leave Liability	4,265	3,475
Upward/Downward Reestimates of Credit Subsidy Expense (+/-)	(274,319)	320,093
Increase in Exchange Revenue Receivable from the Public	_	_
Total Components of Net Cost of Operations that will Require or Generate Resources in Future Periods	(270,054)	323,568
Components not Requiring or Generating Resources:		
Depreciation and Amortization	29,567	22,754
Revaluation of Assets or Liabilities (+/-)	8,778	810
Other (+/-)	2,380	1,773
Total Components of Net Cost of Operations that will not Require or Generate Resources	40,725	25,337
Total Components of the Net Cost of Operations that will not Require or Generate Resources in the Current Period	(229,329)	348,905
Net Cost of Operations	\$10,353,724	\$12,255,626

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DEBT MANAGEMENT

USAID is required by the Prompt Payment Act to pay its bills on time or pay an interest penalty to vendors. Timely payment reduces interest charges and reflects a high degree of accountability and integrity. This chart shows that USAID's percentage of interest paid is less than I percent for the third consecutive year. In addition, we pay the vast majority of our bills by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

Timeliness of Payments	FY2006	FY2005	FY2004	FY2003
Interest Penalty Paid	\$ 50,266.00	\$ 35,250.07	\$ 3,045.00	\$ 17,825.00
Percentage of Payments Paid Late	0.64%	0.001%	0.41%	1.17%
Number of EFT Payments	55,900	29,800	21,300	20,600
Percentage of EFT Payments	96.87%	96.69%	97.56%	96.76%

AUDIT MANAGEMENT

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) uses the audit process to help USAID managers improve the efficiency and effectiveness of operations and programs. USAID management and OIG staff work in partnership to ensure timely and appropriate responses to audit recommendations. The OIG contracts with the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) to audit U.S.-based contractors and relies on nonfederal auditors to audit U.S.-based grant recipients. Overseas, local auditing firms or the supreme audit institutions (SAI) of host countries audit foreign-based organizations. OIG staff conduct audits of USAID programs and operations, including the Agency's financial statements, related systems and procedures, and Agency performance in implementing programs, activities, or functions.

During FY 2006, USAID received 464 audit reports; 404 of these reports covered financial audits of contractors and recipients and 60 covered Agency programs or operations.

During FY 2006, the Agency closed 603 audit recommendations. Of these, 218 were from audits performed by OIG staff and 385 were from financial audits of contractors or grant recipients. USAID collected \$7.1 million in disallowed costs, and \$7.4 million was put to better use during the fiscal year.

At the end of FY 2006, there were 429 open audit recommendations, 11 less than at the end of FY 2005. Of the 429 audit recommendations open at the end of FY 2006, only 22 or 5% have been open for more than one year.

Of the 22 recommendations open for more than one year, USAID must collect funds from contractors or recipients to complete actions for three recommendations. Contacting Officer final determinations for ten recommendations are currently in litigation or have been appealed before the Armed Forces Court of Appeals or the USAID Procurement Executive. Four recommendations require recipients to make extensive corrections to accounting systems or internal controls. The remaining five recommendations are related to Agency programs and operations, including improving information systems and development activities; complying with federal regulations for awarding contracts in Iraq; and reconciling financial management information.

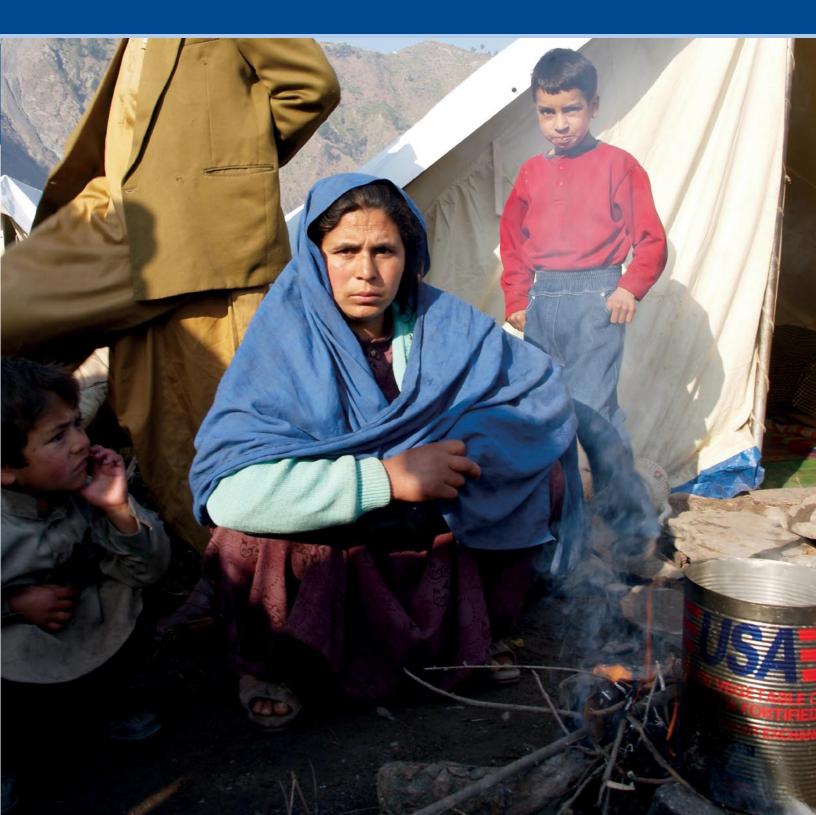
Management Action on Recommendation that Funds be Put to Better Use

	Recommendations	Dollar Value (\$000)
Beginning balance 10/1/05	6	\$ 214,818
Management decisions during the fiscal year	12	16,315
Final action	8	7,416
Recommendations implemented	8	7,416
Recommendations not implemented	0	_
Ending Balance 9/30/06	10	\$ 223,717

Management Action on Audits with Disallowed Costs

	Recommendations	Dollar Value (\$000)
Beginning balance 10/1/05	146	\$ 24,908
Management decisions during the fiscal year	181	25,589
Final action	196	7,111
Collections/Offsets/Other	195	7,097
Write-offs	I	14
Ending Balance 9/30/06	131	\$ 43,386

OTHER ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION



MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES

he Reports Consolidation Act of 2000 requires that USAID's Performance and Accountability Report include a statement by the Inspector General that summarizes the most serious management and performance challenges facing the Agency and briefly assesses the progress in addressing those challenges. The Office of Inspector General (OIG) considers the most serious management and performance challenges to USAID to be in the following areas:

- Financial Management
- Managing for Results
- Acquisition and Assistance
- Human Capital Management
- Information Technology Management

The first four challenges appeared on OIG's list last year. Information Technology Management challenges were added this year. A summary of the issue, actions taken this year, and those remaining are presented for each area of concern. USAID aggressively pursues corrective actions for all significant challenges, whether identified by the OIG, GAO, or other sources.

Management Challenge/	Actions Taken in	Actions Remaining and/or
Significant Issue	FY 2006	Expected Completion Date
FINANCIAL MANAGEMEN		
Accrual Accounting and Reporting	USAID no longer uses the Accruals Reporting System (ARS) to record quarterly accruals information. Beginning in September 2006, users enter their accrual data directly into the primary accounting system via the Accrual Query.	A reconciliation report has been developed to track accruals in the system. Action completed on October 30, 2006.
Reconciliations of USAID's Fund balance with the U.S. Treasury	Due to Operating Expense (OE) budget cuts and a tight Phoenix budget, a cash reconciliation tool was being considered, but was not developed and implemented before the end of this fiscal year. Reports, however, were developed that assist in tracking cash disbursement differences. Based on these reports, management can identify large discrepancies and address them.	The cash reconciliation tool will be completed by September 30, 2007.
Extensive Use of Manual	Due to the use of Phoenix at headquarters in some	
Processes Limits Agency	missions and Mission Accounting and Control	
Compliance with Federal	System (MACS) in other missions, and the migration	
Financial Management	of financial data between MACS and Phoenix,	
System Requirements.	adjustments had to be made to reconcile the data in two separate systems. The CFO believes that the use of manual processes will decrease now that the Phoenix integrated financial management system has been implemented Agency-wide. Action complete.	
MANAGING FOR RESULTS	5	
USAID's Performance	As part of foreign assistance reform and to	USAID and State's new FACTS system
Management and Reporting System	improve upon USAID's performance management and reporting system, the Office of the Director of Foreign Assistance began development of the Foreign Assistance Coordination and Tracking System (FACTS) in FY 2006. FACTS is a database that will combine USAID and Department of State foreign assistance budget and performance planning and activity reporting data into one central system.	will be tested in November 2006 and will begin initial implementation by the end of CY 2006. This system will facilitate all levels of agency planning, monitoring, and data management. It will enable a more comprehensive reporting and monitoring of foreign assistance than was available with USAID's Annual Report system and will facilitate analyses of integrated budget and performance information. FACTS will be subjected to all of the internal controls necessary to ensure the integrity and confidentiality of the data. Data needed for the PAR will be reported annually by field missions and Washington offices. The reports will contain both planned and actual performance data against specific targets for the year.

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Management Challenge/	Actions Taken in	Actions Remaining and/or
Significant Issue	FY 2006	Expected Completion Date
ACQUISITION AND ASSIS		·····
The PMA scorecard rated the status of USAID's competitive sourcing as "red" or unsatisfactory.	On May 16, 2006, USAID successfully completed its first outsourcing competition under the PMA. This streamlined competition encompassed facilities management functions conducted by four government employees and related contractor support. These responsibilities included space planning, answering maintenance calls, maintenance coordination, and general office support and coordination for facilities located in Washington, DC. The Agency began its second streamlined competition at the end of FY 2006 and initiated feasibility studies for two other possible competitions.	USAID looks forward to achieving a "Yellow" in competitive sourcing status by March 31,2007. During FY 2007, USAID would like to make business process improvements in Washingtor and identify additional activities during Washington management assessments where competition may produce increased efficiency and cost savings.
Scopes of work for sampled field support task orders under Indefinite Quantity Contracts (IQCs) did not clearly define the specific goods and services being procured.	USAID developed and issued improved policies and procedures to govern the purpose, content, and use of field support task orders issued under small USAID/W IQCs. Action completed on May 17, 2006.	
USAID's evaluations of its procurement operations did not verify and ensure that USAID effectively implemented an Executive Order on Federal Procurement Reform.	USAID developed an action plan that includes implementation of the new Balanced Scorecard business model which will verify and ensure that USAID is effectively implementing Executive Order 12931 (Federal Procurement Reform). Action completed on May 11, 2006.	USAID will issue a policy requiring missions to implement recommendations made by evaluation teams. There is a built-in mechanism in the web-based scorecard that requires missions to address each recommendation from the previous year and how it has been implemented. This is in addition to the regular web-based scorecard information which will be certified and submitted by each mission on a yearly basis. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
USAID needs to make further improvements in its financial audit program, particularly overseas.	USAID/South Africa developed and implemented an audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Action completed on March 30, 2006.	USAID/Tanzania developed and implemented a audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Action completed on October 2, 2006.
	USAID/REDSO/ESA developed and implemented an audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Action completed on May 22, 2006.	USAID/Tanzania obtained and submitted audit reports for all recipients with delinquent audits Action completed on October 2, 2006.

Management Challenge/ Significant Issue	Actions Taken in FY 2006	Actions Remaining and/or Expected Completion Date
ACQUISITION AND ASSIS	TANCE (continued)	
USAID needs to make further improvements in its financial audit program, particularly overseas. (continued)	USAID/REDSO/ESA obtained and submitted all delinquent audit reports. Action completed on May 22, 2006.	USAID/Malawi developed and implemented an audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Action completed on October 30, 2006.
	USAID/REDSO/ESA developed and implemented a system to ensure that the Mission reviews, approves, and maintains a copy of an audit agreement containing a standard statement of work that incorporates USAID's audit requirements for every recipient audit. Action completed on May 22, 2006.	USAID/Malawi developed and implemented a system to ensure that the Mission reviews, approves, and maintains a copy of an audit agreement containing a standard statement of work that incorporates USAID's audit requirements for every recipient's audit covering each individual fiscal year. Action completed on October 30, 2006.
	USAID/REDSO/ESA obtained and submitted audit reports for all expired awards requiring closeout audits. Action completed on May 22, 2006.	USAID/REDSO/ESA amended its Mission Order to ensure that closeout audits of expiring awards in excess of \$500,000 are included in future audit plans and performed as required. Action completed on November 11, 2006.
	USAID/Ethiopia included all host country contracts in its award inventory for fiscal year 2006. Action completed on May 31, 2006.	USAID/Ethiopia will obtain and submit all delinquent audit reports. Target completion date: November 30, 2006.
	USAID/Ethiopia amended its Mission Order to add procedures for including host country contracts in award inventories and annual audit plans, as appropriate. Action completed on May 31, 2006.	USAID/Mozambique will amend its Mission Order to ensure that closeout audits of expiring awards in excess of \$500,000 are included in future audit plans and performed as required. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
	USAID/Malawi obtained and submitted audit reports for recipients with delinquent audits. Action completed on July 31, 2006.	USAID/Mozambique will include all identified host country contracts in its award inventory for fiscal year 2006. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
	USAID/Ethiopia developed and implemented an audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Action completed on August 31, 2006.	USAID/Mozambique will amend its Mission Order to include procedures for including host country contracts in award inventories and annual audit plans, as appropriate. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
	USAID/Ethiopia developed and implemented a system to ensure that the Mission reviews, approves, and maintains a copy of an audit agreement containing a standard statement of work that incorporates USAID's audit requirements for every recipient audit covering each individual fiscal year. Action completed on	USAID/Kenya will develop and implement an audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Target completion date December 31, 2006.

Management Challenge/ Significant Issue	Actions Taken in FY 2006	Actions Remaining and/or Expected Completion Date
ACQUISITION AND ASSIS	TANCE (continued)	
USAID needs to make further improvements in its financial audit program, particularly overseas. (continued)	USAID/Ethiopia obtained and submitted audit reports in accordance with requirements for all expired awards. Action completed on August 31, 2006.	USAID/Kenya will develop and implement a system to verify and document that the Mission reviews, approves, and maintains a copy of an audit agreement containing a standard statement of work that incorporates USAID's audit requirements for every recipient audit. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
		USAID/Kenya will amend its Mission Order to document that closeout audits of expiring awards in excess of \$500,000 are included in future audit plans and performed as required. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
		USAID/Kenya will amend its Mission Order to provide procedures for including host country contracts in award inventories and annual audit plans, as appropriate. Target completion date: December 31, 2006.
		USAID/South Africa will obtain and submit all delinquent audit reports. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/South Africa will develop and implement a system to ensure that the Mission reviews, approves, and maintains a copy of an audit agreement containing a standard statement of work that incorporates USAID's audit requirements for every recipient audit. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/South Africa will amend its Mission Order to ensure that closeout audits of expiring awards in excess of \$500,000 are included in future audit plans and performed as required. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/South Africa will complete and submit audit reports for all expired awards requiring closeout audits. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/South Africa will include all identified host country contracts in its award inventory for fiscal year 2006. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/South Africa will amend its Mission Order to include procedures for including host country contracts in award inventories and annual audit plans, as appropriate. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.

Management Challenge/ Significant Issue	Actions Taken in FY 2006	Actions Remaining and/or Expected Completion Date
ACQUISITION AND ASSISTANC	CE (continued)	
USAID needs to make further improvements in its financial audit program, particularly overseas. (continued)		USAID/South Africa will complete and submit closeout audits for the two expired host countr contracts with expenditures over \$500,000. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/Mozambique will obtain and submit audit reports for all expired awards requiring closeout audits. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/Mozambique will obtain and submit closeout audits for the 11 implementing instruments of the host country contracts in excess of \$500,000. Target completion date: March 31, 2007.
		USAID/Mozambique will obtain and submit aud reports for all recipients with delinquent annua audits. Target completion date: June 30, 2007.
		USAID/Kenya will obtain and submit audits for the two host country contracts that expended in excess of \$300,000 in one fiscal year. Target completion date: June 30, 2007.
		USAID/Mozambique will develop and implement an effective audit tracking system to monitor the recipient financial audit process to ensure timely submission of reports. Target completion date: September 30, 2007.
		USAID/Kenya will obtain and submit audit reports for all expired awards requiring closeout audits. Target completion date: October 30, 2007.

Management Challenge/ Significant Issue	Actions Taken in FY 2006	Actions Remaining and/or Expected Completion Date
HUMAN CAPITAL MANAG	GEMENT	
USAID must demonstrate that staffing is being realigned to support implementation of the new Foreign Assistance Framework prior to moving to green status on the PMA scorecard.	The President's Management Agenda (PMA) identifies strategic management of Human Capital (HC) as one of the five government-wide areas needing improvement. At the end of FY 2006, USAID received a 'yellow' status rating and a 'green' progress rating for strategic HC management. In FY 2006, the Agency continued its major efforts to improve its HC management with its first ever HC Strategic Plan, FY 2004- 2008 as a road map. USAID refined its first ever workforce planning model down to specific missions and then to reflect the new Foreign Assistance Framework. As a result of a further enhancement undertaken in FY 2006, the model can now cost out alternative workforce scenarios and was used to guide the FY 2008 budget formulation process.	 Make final decisions on restructuring Washington and field and how we are going to do business. Update the Workforce Planning Model (WPM) to reflect the new organizational structures and business model and realign staff based on WPM results. Target completion date: June 30 2007.
USAID needs to continue to implement its workforce planning to close skills gaps through recruitment, retention, training, succession planning and other strategies.	USAID began implementing its Learning Management System (LMS), an automated tool that will link workforce competency needs to appropriate training and developmental activities required to achieve and/or retain optimal workforce functionality. The Agency started automating its official personnel files (OPFs). This action will allow employees to access their own OPF via their desktop and will eliminate paper transaction records. The Agency also completed the Manage-to-Budget Pilots; implemented an OPM certified HC Accountability System; updated its leadership succession plan and further closed critical gaps with the aid of some short-term hiring mechanisms. It should be noted that all this was accomplished in a scarce Operating Expense (OE) budget resource environment that resulted in a temporary hiring freeze beginning in the second quarter of the fiscal year and a 50% cut in the training budget. Training was focused, almost exclusively, on meeting Agency and other federal mandates, e.g., Cognizant Technical Officer (CTO) certification, language training, and core business training needs. New courses were developed for new initiatives such as Operational Plans and the Manage to Budget process, to align our core business courses with the new Agency direction.	 Complete the roll out of all modules of the Learning Management System. Target completion date: September 30, 2007. Continue to improve hiring processes quality and timeliness. Target completion date: March 31, 2007. Meet competency gap targets by March 30, 2007. Conduct first annual self-audit (accountability assessment) of Agency's HC management. Target completion date: September 30, 2007. Update Management and Leadership Strategic Succession Plan in accordance with new government- wide guidance from OPM. Target completion date: September 30, 2007.

Management Challenge/ Significant Issue	Actions Taken in FY 2006	Actions Remaining and/or Expected Completion Date
INFORMATION TECHNOL		
Implement Homeland Security Presidential Directive – 12 (HSPD-12)	 Developed processes and procedures to meet PIV II requirements for new employees and new contractors. 	 Issue new PIV Cards to all existing employees and contractors domestically by October 27, 2008.
	 Trained appropriate personnel on new processes and procedures. 	 Work with Department of State to implement and issue PIV Cards overseas by October 27, 2008.
	 Purchased some of the components required to begin issuing PIV Cards. 	 Management Decision for Identity Management System is pending funding
	 Drafted agreement between USAID and Department of State. 	for engineering study.
	 Issued a Policy Directive to incorporate HSPD-12 FAR clause in USAID contracts. 	 Inability to phase in physical access requirements of PIV Card by October 27, 2007 due to lack of funding.
		 Inability to meet phase-in logical access requirements of PIV Card by October 27, 2007 due to lack of funding.
		 Expect to begin implementation enrollment and issuance of PIV Cards to new employees and new contractors October 30, 2007.
Information Technology		*USAID is currently utilizing the Department of State's HSPD-12 solution in order to meet October 27, 2006 deadline. USAID's schedule for issuing PIV Cards is dependent on State. Future milestones to meet the physical and logical access requirements are contingent upon the availability of funding and human resources. Funding issues are being discussed with senior leadership and a decision is expected for FY 2007 funding by November 2006 and FY 2008 funding by January 2007, which will allow basic planning and engineering to commence.
Information Technology Governance		
IT Strategic Planning	USAID and the Department of State drafted a Joint IT Strategic Plan that is currently undergoing the clearance process in both organizations.	Discussions are being held with Departmen of State concerning the degree of integration with State's intranet and other USAID infrastructure requirements and costs. A decision is expected by December 2006 and a revised plan should be cleared

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Management Challenge/ Significant Issue	Actions Taken in FY 2006	Actions Remaining and/or Expected Completion Date		
INFORMATION TECHNOI	OGY MANAGEMENT (continued)			
Enterprise Architecture (EA)	USAID published the Data Architecture for Program Management and Results Reporting in August 2006. It is being used as a resource by the working group that is mapping existing data and supporting the Strategic Objective to the new Foreign Assistance Strategic Framework. The Joint USAID and Department of State Enterprise Architecture (JEA) Team provided Business Analysts to work with Joint Management Council (JMC) Working Groups to define transition opportunities in such areas as staff alignment, investment consolidation, regionalization and centralization of services, joint field operations, and network and IT alignment.	With the exception of the Data Reference Model, all other models have been completed as joint models with Departmen of State. A USAID Data Reference Model is being finalized and should be cleared and published by December 2006.		
IT Policy and Practice Standards	USAID published an IT Project Life Cycle Methodology standard that describes the recommended project baselines and government reviews. Phase gate review checklists and phase artifact quality factor guidelines have been developed. USAID also defined an IT Project Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) standard to assist Project Managers in ensuring that full life cycle costs for investments are identified.	The CIO will move to provide project funding allotments to projects based upon successful phase gate reviews, completion of engineering and management activities, and supporting documentation. All major IT development policies, standards, and procedures are being rolled out as they become available; completion is expected by September 30, 2007.		
Institutionalizing Governance	Responding to deficiencies and gaps identified in various audits and the Management Bureau Assessment, the Acting CIO conducted an organizational assessment and redefined a restructuring that combined the Office of Information Resources Management and the Program Management Office. IT Governance policy and process definition responsibility is explicitly called out, as are portfolio and project performance management responsibilities.	IT policies, standards, and procedures are being published and training is occurring for all IT stakeholders. The CIO is developing a portfolio management process that is tied to an updated Capital Planning and Investment Control (CPIC) process. By September 30, 2007 the processes should be fully institutionalized.		

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To better facilitate USAID's ability to design and implement future disaster recovery programs and address its previously documented recurring staffing challenges, GAO recommends revising staffing procedures to allow the Agency to more quickly reassign or hire key personnel, either to augment staff responsible for disaster recovery efforts in countries with a USAID mission or to manage efforts in countries where USAID does not maintain a permanent presence.	The Agency has developed a crisis management model that utilizes task forces composed of USAID and other key USG department and agency personnel to provide an effective, integrated platform for complex emergency and stabilization responses.	USAID has proposed the development of a "civilian surge capacity" which, if approved and funded, would give USAID over a three- year time period the ability to grow short- to-long-term staff on an as needed basis. Target completion date: September 30, 2008.
GAO recommends USAID develop disaster recovery and reconstruction program guidance that incorporates lessons learned from the Hurricane Ivan Recovery and Reconstruction Program and Tropical Storm Jeanne Recovery Program as well as previous disaster recovery programs.	USAID has established an agency task force for complex emergency and stabilization responses. The Agency Task Force model has been activated twice – once for the Tsunami and again for the Pakistan Earthquake. An example of lessons learned, generated by the Tsunami Task Force, is available on the USAID intranet and can be found at http://inside.usaid.gov/tsunami/lessons.html.	
To assist contractors operating in hostile environments to obtain security services required to ensure successful contract execution, GAO recommends that USAID explore options that would enable contractors to obtain such services quickly and efficiently.		USAID is in the final stages of developing Agency guidance with respect to the security challenges of its implementing partners. USAID has implemented a variety of initiatives to address the security concerns as well as to help identify security needs and requirements. Target completion date: September 30, 2008.

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To improve the ability to	One of the challenges of tracking security costs	
assess the impact of and	pertains to the difficulty in identifying a standard	
manage security costs in future	definition. USAID has developed a standard	
reconstruction efforts, GAO	definition of security costs which will be applied	
recommends that USAID	to all new contracts and agreements. This will	
establish a means to track and	result in more accurate reporting of security	
account for security costs to	costs. USAID/Iraq is also adding a security cost	
develop more accurate budget	field into a prototype of its new management	
estimates.	reporting system to allow USAID to analyze and	
	better report security costs. Action complete.	
To improve on existing efforts	(I) USAID/Afghanistan prepared a Performance	
to measure and assess the	Management Plan (PMP). The preliminary	
progress of U.S. reconstruction	performance indicators for each of the approved	
projects toward achieving U.S.	strategic objectives and related intermediate	
policy goals, and to provide	results, along with the preliminary baselines and	
a basis for planning future	targets were provided in the Mission's strategic	
reconstruction projects, GAO	plan. In an effort to streamline data collection,	
recommends that USAID:	contracts and grants now require awardees to	
 establish a performance 	provide quarterly activity updates by entering	
management plan that complies	this data into the Mission's web-based database	
with USAID directives, (2)	system. This periodic reporting will facilitate	
clearly stipulate in all future	measurement under the PMP.	
reconstruction contracts that		
contractors are to develop	(2) USAID requires contractors to enter their	
performance management	program information into the web-based database.	
plans specific to the work	All future reconstruction contracts will require	
they are conducting, and (3)	contractors to develop performance management	
more completely communicate	plans linking their work to the Mission's PMP.	
the performance information	(3) The results of USAID/Afghanistan's most	
obtained from the performance	visible projects are closely tracked. These	
management plans to executive	"metrics" are now being updated by an	
branch decision makers in	interagency team in Kabul. Actions complete.	
Kabul and Washington.		

IMPROPER PAYMENT INFORMATION ACT (IPIA) REPORTING DETAILS

Ithough the 2006 risk assessment concluded that all programs are at a low risk for improper payment and the declining error rate remains far below the OMB guidance thresholds, the Agency continues to conduct various levels of internal improper payment reviews and samplings for all programs and payment activities throughout the year. Additionally, all new programs, high profile programs, and high dollar programs are considered risk-susceptible and subject to further analysis and review.

As in past years, the Agency continues to rely heavily on the OIG post-audit reviews as one of the primary methods of sampling and estimating the improper payment rate for the cooperative agreement, grant and contract programs. All nonprofit U.S.-based organizations that expend \$500,000 or more in Federal awards are subject to an OMB Circular A-133 financial audit which is reviewed by the Agency's OIG. All foreign nonprofit organizations that expend \$300,000 during their fiscal year in USAID awards are subject to a recipient-contracted audit (RCA) performed by approved Certified Public Accountant (CPA) firms which are reviewed by the respective USAID Regional Inspector General (RIG) overseas. All USAID commercial vendor contracts with incurred-cost submissions are subject to an annual Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) audit. The Agency's procurement office also reviews the OIG recommendations for ongoing audits to ensure payments to recipients are accurate and proper. The OIG tracks audit review activities in the Consolidated Audit Tracking System (CATS) while the Office of the CFO reviews and calculates the improper payment rate for these programs. Currently, the Office of the CFO and the OIG are reviewing the process for capturing audit activities and formulating questioned costs, error and recovery rates to ensure that the CATS is a reliable tool for providing IPIA activity information.

Additionally, all payments processed through the Agency's financial and accounting system, Phoenix, are subject to a series of monthly internal reviews by CFO staff who analyze and compare data outputs/reports, cross- reference and compare this data to ensure that payment data is accurate, and monitor the improper payment rate on an ongoing basis. The sampling of the financial systems review includes setting report parameters to identify all potential duplicate payments by vendor, invoice number and dollar value. Each potential improper payment that is identified is investigated regardless of the dollar value. The monthly reports reviewed include the Phoenix Disbursement, Metric Tracking System (MTS) Indicator, Schedule of Disbursements and Credits (SF1098), Cash Management and Payment Metrics and the Penalty Interest reports.

OMB Circular A-133 requires the auditor to audit the entire universe of federal awards, including sub-awards. Therefore, any excess billing or amount that is unallowable will be questioned by the auditor. The auditor's report is sent to the Clearinghouse for submission to the Office of the Inspector General (OIG). Upon review, the audit report is sent to the Agency's procurement office for follow-up.

OMB Circular A-133, Sub-part C, Section 310(1)(2)(3) Financial Statements, states:

(1) List individual Federal programs by Federal agency. For Federal programs included in a cluster of programs, list individual Federal programs within a cluster of programs. For research and development (R&D), total Federal awards expended shall be shown either by individual award or by Federal agency and major subdivision within the Federal agency. For example, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is a major subdivision in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

- (2) For Federal awards received as a sub-recipient, the name of the pass-through entity and identifying number assigned by the pass-through entity shall be included.
- (3) Provide total Federal awards expended for each individual program and Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number or other identifying number when the CFDA information is not available.

Upon receiving the A-133 audit reports from the recipients, the Agency's procurement office sends a letter to the recipient and, if the recommendation involves questioned costs, the Agency requests payment. If the findings are procedural, the Agency asks the recipient to provide a corrective action plan with a timeline for correcting the deficiencies. The Agency follows up on the action plan until the deficiencies are corrected and asks the audit firm to include a follow-up on the implementation of the corrective action plan to ascertain if the deficiencies were corrected appropriately.

		2005		2006		
Programs	PY Outlays	PY IP %	PY IP \$	CY Outlays	CY IP %	CY IP \$
Cash Transfers*	1,402,247	0.0670%	940	850,988	0.8252%	7,022
Cooperative Agreements, Grants & Contracts [*]	4,592,303	0.0045%	207	6,846,201	0.2200%	15,062

	2007			2008			2009		
Programs	CY+I Est. Outlays	CY+I IP %	CY+I IP \$	CY +2 Est. Outlays	CY+2 IP %	CY+2 IP \$	CY+3 Est. Outlays	CY+3 IP %	CY+3 IP \$
Cash Transfers	1,559,635	0.0250%	390	1,707,700	0.0100%	171	1,823,064	0.0080%	146
Cooperative Agreements, Grants & Contracts	4,902,538	0.0450%	2,206	5,233,732	0.0250%	1,308	5,587,300	0.0018%	101

Source of Data:

- 2005 and 2006 Net Outlays
- OIG's Consolidated Audit Tracking System
- CFO/CMP Internal Control reports
 Washington
- Washington Disbursements equal approximately 75% of total outlays
- * 2005: The Cash Transfers, Grant/Contracts programs were identified as risk susceptible due to the fact that they represent 88% (22% & 66% respectively) of total outlays for the year.
- * 2006: The Cash Transfers, Grant/Contracts programs were identified as risk susceptible due to the fact that they represent 77% (9% & 68% respectively) of total outlays for the year.

USAID grant and contract program payment activities have been labeled risk-susceptible due to the high-dollar value of these programs and they continue to be closely monitored to ensure compliance with the provisions of the IPIA.

The Iraq Reconstruction and the Afghanistan Assistance and Reconstruction programs are large-dollar value and highprofile procurement and payment activities and additional controls are in place to monitor these activities. The Office of the CFO monitors and reports monthly on these financial activities as well as compiles individual expenditure reports for the reconstruction and assistance program activities in Afghanistan and Iraq. This information is consolidated into monthly reports and is disseminated to stakeholders, internal and external clients, including USAID Missions and Bureaus, as a tool to monitor their program and payment activities and to increase overall transparency of these highprofile programs. Although we have high confidence in the internal controls in place for making cash transfers to foreign governments and foreign bank accounts, we have included this payment activity as risk-susceptible due to the large-dollar volume of these activities. These activities are also subject to the series of monthly internal reviews conducted by CFO staff that analyze and compare data outputs/reports, cross- reference and compare this data to ensure that payment data is accurate, and monitor the improper payment rate on an ongoing basis.

Earlier this year, the Office of the CFO explored the feasibility of using various professional recovery auditor services to assist in the identification and recovery of potential erroneous payments and have engaged the services of Horn & Associates, Inc. /Recovery Auditors. The contract is in place, most of the security clearance processes have been completed, and some of the recovery auditors are on board. The recovery auditors are scheduled to start their internal recovery audit review in November 2006 and they expect to issue their first report of findings with 60-90 days. These findings will be reported in the 2007 PAR. In the interim, the Agency has been using Phoenix to monitor, sample and analyze payment data and activity.

In 2006, USAID started data-mining in Phoenix, abstracting and identifying data that may be indicative of an improper payment. Thousands of payment records that fell within the erroneous payment parameters set for warranting further scrutiny were reviewed. Upon final analysis and review, it was determined that almost all of these payments were indeed proper. The few payments that remained suspect were further investigated and the funds were collected and/or previously collected and the items closed.

A noteworthy accomplishment that was crucial to enhancing internal financial controls was the completion of the rollout of Phoenix overseas. As a result of the completed unified systems implementation, the Office of the CFO now has the capability to monitor, sample and analyze USAID's financial and payment activities worldwide.

Agency Component (if applicable)	Amount Subject to Review for CY Reporting	Actual Amount Reviewed and Reported	Amounts Identified for Recovery	Amounts Recovered CY	Amounts Recovered PY(s)				
Grants/Contracts	6.8B	6.8B 3.28B*	NA 9.1M*	NA 9.09M*	NA 4.4M*				
Cash Transfers	850M	850M	8M	8M	N/A				
* Per post-audit reviews conducted by the OIG in 2006.									

The following chart reflects recoveries for grant and contract programs:

During 2006, CFO staff were actively engaged in the ongoing review, sampling, identification and the implementation of the necessary internal controls. In addition, training was provided to staff on meeting the President's goal to eliminate improper payments. In 2007, Cash Management and Payment (CMP) staff within the Office of the CFO will be submitting reports on regular intervals to the CMP Division Chief who will monitor progress on the reduction and recovery of improper payments and report results to the Deputy CFO and CFO. Agency managers will be working closely with the professional recovery auditors on reducing and recovering improper payments. Additionally, work objectives related to reducing improper payments will be incorporated in relevant CMP staff 2007 work plans to further ensure compliance with IPIA.

The information systems and infrastructure are in place to reduce improper payments with the recent completion (August 2006) of the overseas rollout of Phoenix, enabling access to worldwide financial and payment activity.

Now that USAID in Washington has the capability to access and review the financial payments activities worldwide through Phoenix, future IPIA review efforts to minimize the risk of making erroneous or improper payments will be more streamlined, yielding enhanced effectiveness, efficiency and results.

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