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SUMMARY: 2009 STATE AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS BILL

Bill Total

2008 Enacted: \$32.8 billion

President's Request: \$38.2 billion

Final Bill: \$36.6 billion

KEY INVESTMENTS

State Department and USAID Operations, Staff and Security:

- **Diplomatic and Consular Programs:** \$4.2 billion, \$464 million above 2008 for diplomatic operations and to hire an estimated 500 additional positions to fill existing vacancies in the Foreign and Civil Service.
- **World Wide Embassy Security Protection:** \$1.1 billion for ongoing security protection to ensure that U.S. embassy personnel are safe and secure.
- **Operating Expenses for USAID:** \$808.5 million, \$178 million above 2008, to allow USAID to hire 300 additional foreign service officers as part of the Development Leadership Initiative.

Global Health: \$7.1 billion to strengthen the global public health infrastructure and surveillance network in order to save lives overseas and to protect the health of Americans.

- **HIV/AIDS:** \$5.5 billion for international HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and care programs including \$600 million for multilateral programs through the Global Fund to Fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.
- **Global Health and Child Survival:** \$1.6 billion for other global health programs including increases of nearly \$50 million for maternal and child health programs, \$35 million to fight malaria, \$11 million to fight tuberculosis, and \$82 million for international family planning.

Humanitarian Assistance:

- **Refugee Assistance:** \$971 million, \$104 million above 2008 (not including \$350 million in emergency appropriations), to help displaced people around the world with food, water, shelter and other basic needs--including humanitarian assistance for Gaza.
- **Disaster Assistance:** \$350 million, \$30 million above 2008, (not including \$200 million in emergency appropriations) to avert famines and provide life-saving assistance during natural disasters and for internally displaced people in Iraq and elsewhere around the world.

Basic Education: \$700 million for grants to organizations that support basic education. This includes \$240 million to help countries that have national education plans as part of the Fast Track Initiative – the international commitment to provide all children with access to a quality education.

Improving Access to Safe Drinking Water: \$300 million for safe water programs, including help to increase access to safe drinking water (such as pumps and wells); build water systems; and expand safe hygiene programs.

Energy and the Environment: \$424 million for clean energy and biodiversity programs worldwide, including funding for the Global Environmental Facility and international conservation programs to work with developing nations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, preserve parks, and protect wildlife.

Middle East Security Assistance: \$2.4 billion for Israel (not including \$170 million in emergency appropriations) fulfilling the 10-year Memorandum of Understanding between the United States and Israel, \$1.5 billion in economic and security assistance for Egypt, and \$498.5 million in economic and security assistance for Jordan.

Sudan: \$762 million for critical humanitarian, development and peacekeeping programs. Of this amount, \$414 million supports the UN Mission in Darfur.

Merida Initiative: \$405 million for counter-narcotics and law enforcement programs in Mexico and Central America (not including \$465 million in emergency appropriations).

International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement: \$875 million, \$318.6 million above 2008, to strengthen law enforcement, support counternarcotics efforts, combat transnational crime, terrorist networks and other illicit enterprises worldwide.

Peacekeeping Activities

- **UN Peacekeeping Missions:** \$1.5 billion, for Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities. These funds support UN peacekeeping missions around the world including in Sudan, Liberia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kosovo and Lebanon.
- **Targeted Peacekeeping Operations:** \$250.2 million for Peacekeeping Operations, to advance international support for voluntary multi-national peacekeeping and stabilization efforts, including support for international missions not supported by the UN but of particular interest to the United States.

Educational and Cultural Exchanges: \$538 million, \$37 million above 2008, to fund educational, cultural and professional exchange programs worldwide.

Broadcasting: \$709 million, \$40 million above 2008, for radio programs critical to the nation's overall public diplomacy efforts.

Peace Corps: \$340 million, \$9 million above 2008, for the program which has over 7,800 volunteers in 70 posts serving 76 countries.

Democracy Fund: \$116 million to the Department of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, and to the USAID, Office of Democracy and Governance to promote democracy, including support for human rights, media, and the rule of law.

SIGNIFICANT CUTS

Millennium Challenge Corporation: \$875 million, \$669 million below 2008 and \$1.35 billion below President Bush's request. This program has been cut because of slow program implementation, making funds provided in this bill sufficient to move forward on new compacts.

Andean Counterdrug Program: \$315 million, \$4.8 million below 2008 and \$91.8 million below President Bush's request. Additional funds were provided for Andean programs through other accounts to support core interdiction, eradication and economic development programs in the Andean region.