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Brazil, the U.S. and Mozambique sign agreement for trilateral cooperation

Protocol of intentions establishes technical cooperation between the three countries in the areas of health and agricultural development

Brasília, January 23, 2012 – A protocol of intentions between Brazil, the U.S. and Mozambique was signed in Maputo, Mozambique, to coordinate efforts of the three countries to promote joint technical cooperation activities in the areas of health and agricultural development in the Republic of Mozambique.

The trilateral cooperation agreement includes the preparation of sectoral studies for the development of technical cooperation projects, sending technical experts from Brazil and the United States to develop proposals for technical cooperation, training and qualification, and Training of Mozambican specialists in the United States, Brazil or other countries.

The signing of the protocol of intentions marks the beginning of the activities held in Mozambique in partnership with Brazil and the U.S. to improve food security, increase rural incomes, and collaborate in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

The document was signed by the Ambassador of the United States to Mozambique, Leslie V. Rowe, the Ambassador of Brazil, Antonio J. M. Souza e Silva, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mozambique, Oldemiro Baloi. Cooperation activities will be coordinated by the Brazilian Cooperation Agency (ABC), the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), and the Government of Mozambique.