



## **Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid**

### **ACVFA Public Meeting**

**Wednesday, October 27, 2004**

You are cordially invited to attend the next Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid (ACVFA) public meeting to be held **Wednesday, October 27, 2004**, at the National Press Club, 529 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20045. The meeting is free and open to the public.

The ACVFA will be focusing on the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Darfur, Sudan. Administrator Andrew Natsios has been invited to give the keynote. A panel of USAID staff and PVO representatives will address the various components and challenges of the humanitarian response.

The Committee will then hear a presentation by Ambassador Carlos Pascual, the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization. Ambassador Pascual has been invited to brief the ACVFA on the newly created office at the U.S. Department of State and its mission.

Following lunch, the ACVFA will reconvene for a presentation by Holly Wise, Director of the Global Development Secretariat. Ms. Wise will provide an overview of the Global Development Alliance highlighting success stories and lessons learned. The public meeting will then close with an update on the Millennium Challenge Corporation by John Hewko, Vice President for Country Relations.

ACVFA is an expert nongovernmental body that advises USAID and other U.S. government agencies on international development and humanitarian assistance issues. ACVFA members are private citizens appointed by the USAID Administrator and serve without compensation. The committee's public meetings, held three times per year, serve as forums for consultation between the public and private sectors on a broad range of foreign assistance matters.

***Date:*** **Wednesday, October 27, 2004**

***Time:*** **9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.**

***Place:*** **The National Press Club  
529 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20045**

***Online Registration:*** **[www.acvfa.com](http://www.acvfa.com)**

***(Participants will be able to register on site; however, pre-registration is strongly encouraged.)***

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