

## Data Sheet

<b>USAID Mission:</b>	Africa Regional
<b>Program Title:</b>	Strengthening Democracy and Good Governance
<b>Pillar:</b>	Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance
<b>Strategic Objective:</b>	698-013
<b>Status:</b>	Continuing
<b>Proposed FY 2003 Obligation:</b>	\$14,200,000 DA
<b>Prior Year Unobligated:</b>	\$167,000 DA
<b>Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:</b>	\$9,000,000 DA
<b>Year of Initial Obligation:</b>	FY 1999
<b>Estimated Completion Date:</b>	FY 2003

**Summary:** Weaknesses in democratic governance dampen economic activity, cause civil unrest, and can create fertile ground for terrorists. The work of the USAID regional program in strengthening principles of democracy and good governance (DG) advances the national security goal of creating the conditions for peace and promoting U.S. and world security. This effort consists of research and information-sharing on state-of-the-art innovations; technical assistance to the USAID Africa field missions; grants to African non-governmental organizations (NGOs) for human rights and democracy-building activities; grants for critical DG activities, such as elections support and civic education; an initiative to combat corruption in Africa; and innovative pilot projects integrating the promotion and practice of good governance principles into other development sectors.

### **Inputs, Outputs, Activities:**

#### **FY 2003 Program:**

Support human rights and good governance programs in over 40 African countries (\$10,500,000 DA). The Africa Bureau Anti-Corruption Initiative will support field-based programs that promote African-led reforms to fight corruption in at least six bilateral missions and three regional missions. The initiative will engage multiple stakeholders at the regional, sub-regional, country and local levels. Interventions will promote public access to information, citizen awareness and advocacy, transparency and accountability of government procedures, government oversight institutions, and public-private dialogue. USAID funding for the Democracy and Human Rights Fund (DHRF), implemented by the Department of State, will support indigenous African NGOs that carry out short-term targeted activities, such as women's legal clinics and basic human rights campaigns. Principal grantee: Les Aspin Institute.

Support for the Solidarity Center Program (\$3,000,000 DA). USAID will support a variety of programs intended to enhance the productive role of trade unions, as a part of civil society, in advancing the Agency's economic and democratic goals and objectives. Education and training programs and capacity-building activities will facilitate the constructive contribution of unions in economic integration, structural adjustment, privatization, and democratic reforms and political processes. Grantee: American Center for International Labor Solidarity.

Promote use of DG principles to carry out activities in other sectors (\$700,000 DA). USAID will provide technical assistance to its missions for strategic cross-sectoral planning, program design and performance monitoring. USAID will also disseminate a set of tools and principles to NGOs and other civil society institutions with information on the linkages between DG and environmental advocacy, and ways that environmental advocacy can help build civil society and democracy. Principal contractors/grantees: World Resources Institute; Sub-contractor: the Environmental Law Institute.

#### **FY 2004 Program:**

A new strategy is being developed, and new notifications will be provided for FY 2004 funds once the strategy is approved. Anticipated activities include:

Support human rights and anti-corruption programs in over 40 African countries (\$4,500,000 DA). USAID expects to continue supporting the DHRF and the Anti-Corruption Initiative.

Promote use of D/G principles to carry out activities in other sectors (\$4,500,000 DA). USAID will continue providing technical assistance to missions to enhance the integration of D/G components into their development programming and to monitor and evaluate impact more effectively. Principal contractors/grantees will remain the same as in FY 2003.

**Performance and Results:** In FY 2002, three-fourths of the Africa Bureau's activities in all sectors incorporated D/G principles into their activities. USAID partners in FY 2002 trained 16 civic leaders in elections and conflict monitoring, and, as a new component of the program, an additional 18 civic leaders were trained in anti-corruption and good governance principles. With support from USAID, the Foundation for Democracy in Africa (FDA) has helped create public-private partnerships in Mali, Senegal, Benin and Nigeria with the goal of increasing Africa-U.S. trade under the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA). The FDA promotes participatory processes such as networks and associations to encourage the public sector in African countries to develop policy frameworks that are more favorable to private sector growth. Through the DHRF, over 120 indigenous African NGOs received small grants for efforts such as legal assistance for impoverished women, human rights promotion for HIV-positive individuals, and anti-corruption campaigns. ESF funds were used to support activities promoting constitutional reform, national reconciliation, and electoral support, including voter education and political party training, in Lesotho, Swaziland, Côte d'Ivoire, Niger and Togo. With USAID funding, the U.S.-based private voluntary organization PACT conducted a series of workshops to disseminate information and ideas for building community support and integrating D/G principles into the fight against HIV/AIDS. USAID also provided funding to the Environmental Law Institute and the World Resources Institute to field-test a set of environmental governance principles and techniques for environmental advocacy.

## US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Africa Regional

698-013 Strengthening Democracy and Good Governance	DA	DFA	ESF
<b>Through September 30, 2001</b>			
Obligations	2,766	500	245
Expenditures	1,034	0	0
Unliquidated	1,732	500	245
<b>Fiscal Year 2002</b>			
Obligations	3,836	0	1,400
Expenditures	2,246	487	113
<b>Through September 30, 2002</b>			
Obligations	6,602	500	1,645
Expenditures	3,280	487	113
Unliquidated	3,322	13	1,532
<b>Prior Year Unobligated Funds</b>			
Obligations	167	0	0
<b>Planned Fiscal Year 2003 NOA</b>			
Obligations	14,200	0	0
<b>Total Planned Fiscal Year 2003</b>			
Obligations	14,367	0	0
<b>Proposed Fiscal Year 2004 NOA</b>			
Obligations	9,000	0	0
Future Obligations	0	0	0
Est. Total Cost	29,969	500	1,645