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ACTIVITY FACT SHEET

ENHANCING THE U.S.-EGYPT COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIP THROUGH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

USAID provides a four year, \$2,975,000 grant to the U.S. Department of Commerce's Commercial Law Development Program to provide legal and trade-related technical assistance to the Government of Egypt and the Egyptian private sector. The Government of Egypt requested this assistance in the context of talks on the U.S.-Egypt Trade and Investment Framework Agreement.

Implementing Partner: U.S. Department of Commerce's Commercial Law Development Program; Life of Project: September 2018 – September 2022; Total Estimated Cost: \$2,975,000; Governorates: Nationwide

GOALS

- Improve Egypt's capacity to implement a food safety policy that enhances the U.S.-Egypt Trade relationship and is in compliance with World Trade Organization (WTO) standards
- Support Egypt in its efforts to implement the WTO Agreement on Trade Facilitation (TFA)
- Improve Egypt's ability to conduct transparent customs valuations and to meet the commitments of multilateral agreements
- Assist Egypt in meeting its commitments under multilateral agreements or in areas such as patent protection, government procurement, and competition policy

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RESULTS

- Held a workshop on regulating development and WTO agreements pertaining to food safety
- Initiated a multi-phase training program on customs valuation for the Egyptian Competition Authority in Cairo, Alexandria, and Port Said
- Held a conference on the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement in cooperation with the World Bank
- Consulted with the U.S. Trade Representative, U.S. Department of Commerce, and the automotive industry to develop a letter on the path forward on important trade issues