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*2003 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)*  
**EGYPT**

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 03 Total
<b>Administration of Justice II</b>	The purpose of this activity is to assist the government in the improvement of different areas in the administration of Justice. The improvement in the administration of justice will help in all sectors including external and international trade. One very critical area is trade law and WTO agreements. Egypt lacks the type of expertise who can deal with WTO legal issues and other international trade cases. The administration improvement will help in these areas among other areas. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	<b>3,000,000</b>
<b>Agricultural Exports and Rural Incomes</b>	Assist Egyptian Agriculture and food producers to raise productivity, decrease loss in post harvest, meet international standards as a means of promoting exports, and help producers and processors and the government counterparts understand Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures and Technical Barriers to Trade. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Agreement on Agriculture	250,000
		Agreement on SPS	500,000
		Agreement on TBTs	500,000
		Export Promotion	1,250,000
		Trade-Related Agriculture	2,500,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>
<b>Assistance for Customs and Trade Facilitation</b>	The main purpose of this activity is to assist the Government of Egypt to: (1) modernize Egyptian Customs legal, administrative, human resources and material infrastructure and to be in full conformity with international conventions of the United Nations and WTO, and (2) to implement a comprehensive trade facilitation program to reduce transaction costs of all parties involved in trade. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Agreement on TBTs	900,000
		Agreement on Customs Valuation Methods	5,400,000
		Customs Operation & Administration	3,600,000
		E-Commerce & IT	3,600,000
		Business Services & Training	2,700,000
		Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	1,800,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>18,000,000</b>
<b>Commercial Environment for Investment</b>	The purpose of the Commercial Environment for Investment (CEI) is to strengthen the commercial laws governing business and investment and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of Government of Egypt expenditures. The new commercial law will deal with laws governing domestic and international trade. It also involves training of trade lawyers, judges, and other technical key players. Reengineering of trade departments, and other departments that are directly or indirectly impact on trade activities is also anticipated under the CEI. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	3,500,000
		Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	4,900,000
		Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	5,600,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>14,000,000</b>

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<b>Egypt Cochran Fellowships</b>	United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Cochran Fellowship Program promotes global market-driven food systems through short-term agricultural marketing and agribusiness-related training in the United States. In 2003, five Egyptian government officials participated in training on food safety. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	<b>29,800</b>
<b>Egypt Codex Alimentarius Workshop</b>	United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) organized a June 2003 Codex Alimentarius technical seminar in Cairo for approximately 200 Egyptian policymakers and industry representatives. The seminar addressed Codex Alimentarius' role in international food trade, food safety guidelines and avoiding potential barriers to sanitary-phytosanitary protocols. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Agreement on SPS	<b>35,000</b>
<b>Egyptian Environment Policy Program</b>	This activity promotes environmentally sustainable tourism and conservation on the Red Sea. Outcomes of this activity include: (1) development of a monitoring system for sensitive coral and mangrove areas in the Red Sea; (2) increased use of environmental impact analysis in the development of tourism projects in the Red Sea; and (3) environmental management system being implemented in selected Red Sea tourism properties leading to environmental improvements. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Environmental Trade & Standards	300,000
		Tourism Sector Development	1,200,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>1,500,000</b>
<b>Partnership for Environmental Progress</b>	Reductions in air and water pollution have a positive impact on quality of agricultural production in Egypt and hence contribute directly to the improved competitiveness of Egyptian agricultural exports in the world markets. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Environmental Trade & Standards	<b>2,500,000</b>

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<b>Private Sector Commodity Import Program (CIP)</b>	The purpose of Private Sector Commodity Import Program (CIP) is to stimulate private sector investments by providing import financing through Egyptian commercial banks to Egyptian private businesses and establishing a trade link between Egyptian importers and U.S. suppliers. Under the present private sector program, financing is available for transactions valued as low as \$10,000, thereby encouraging small or emerging private sector businesses to participate. Preferential lending terms are available for investments in Upper Egypt, businesses that are increasing their exports, and investments that benefit the environment. Repayments of CIP loans by private sector importers revert to the Egyptian government and are used to support numerous development projects as well as general budget expenditures. Since the beginning of the private sector program, over 1,400 Egyptian private sector importers have used CIP resources. Their transactions have involved more than 1,800 American manufacturers and more than 1,200 different commodities. Currently, there are 2160 suppliers and 1711 importers. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	E-Commerce & IT	7,500,000
		Export Promotion	17,000,000
		Business Services & Training	5,000,000
		Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	12,500,000
		Trade-Related Agriculture	7,500,000
		Tourism Sector Development	500,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>50,000,000</b>
<b>Strengthening the Financial Sector</b>	The purpose of this activity is to develop the mortgage market, improve the legal and institutional process for collateralized financing, and establish a credit information system. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	12,000,000
		Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	4,000,000
		Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	4,000,000
		<b>Activity Total</b>	<b>20,000,000</b>
<b>Telecommunications Sector Support</b>	The purpose of this activity is to improve telecommunications primarily through installation of equipment. Telecommunication is essential for the trade sector. Through the increasing number of installation of equipment, the facilities and know-how will be accessed easily by the traders, and hence improving their capacities and proficiency. Funded and implemented by USAID/Egypt.	Physical Infrastructure Development	<b>3,000,000</b>
<b>Total FY 03 USG Trade Capacity Building to Egypt</b>			<b>117,064,800</b>