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Airport security training	Carry out follow-on courses on Basic Airport Security and Security Instructor training, in cooperation with the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) as appropriate. Develop production and execution of new airport security courses such as Airport Security Crisis Management. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Other Services Development	300,000
Assessments to Enhance Border Management	The Inter-American Committee Against Terrorism (CICTE) of the Organization of American States (OAS), in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) as appropriate, will conduct on-site technical missions focused on comprehensive assessments aimed at enhancing priority border management capacities. The work of the missions will be guided by, among others, responses to a Self-Assessment tool that CICTE will distribute to member states. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Customs Operation & Administration	420,000
Aviation safety oversight	Continue work of the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) comprehensive program to enhance aviation safety in the Caribbean. This program works with national civil aviation authorities to assess aviation safety oversight capabilities and provides on-the-ground assistance and training for Caribbean aviation officials in areas such as accident investigations and airport certification and inspector training. The program also provides fellowships for further instruction at the FAA Academy. It would also supplement the FAA's initiative, in cooperation with the Caribbean states, for a general work plan to develop strategies for elevating the level of regional aviation safety to international standards. Funded by Department of State and implemented by Department of Transportation.	Other Services Development	400,000
Bioterrorism Regulations Outreach	Videoconference on bioterrorism regulations with government and industry officials from Barbados and Trinidad/Tobago. Funded and implemented by Health & Human Services/FDA.	Agreement on SPS	6,330
Caribbean Food Crops Society Biotech Activity	The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Trade and Investment Program, in conjunction with USDA's Foreign Agriculture Services Biotechnology group, sent three speakers to the Caribbean Food Crops Society annual meeting in St. Johns, U.S. Virgin Islands. The theme of the meeting was Strengthening Partnerships for Sustaining Agriculture in the Caribbean and over 150 agricultural scientists from all the Caribbean islands, Guyana, Suriname, Belize, and the United States attended. The biotech-related portion of this event focused on applications in the Caribbean and the legal framework needed for commercial trade and was facilitated by one U.S. speaker and two Caribbean speakers, with the specific goal of initiating a single Biotech Strategy and Policy for the region. July 19-22, 2004. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	20,000
Caribbean Intern Scholarship Program (CRISP)	The Caribbean Intern Scholarship Program (CRISP) Program is designed to fund the training of persons in the public and private sectors in targeted areas related to trade and competitiveness. The focus is expected to impact positively on trade development and competitiveness in key sectors within the Caribbean Region. To date, five candidates have been selected for long term scholarships. Short and medium term programs are also being developed. This activity is in support of the Free Trade Area of the Americas negotiations. Funded and implemented by USAID/Jamaica.	Business Services & Training	375,797

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Caribbean Trade and Competitiveness Development Program (C-TRADECOM)	Caribbean Trade and Competitiveness Development Program (C-TRADECOM) is an activity targeted at assisting the countries of the Caribbean to improve their capacity to participate more effectively in the international trade arena. The program also seeks to improve the competitiveness of the region, in particular the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) countries. USAID is designing and implementing a program which includes country and firm level support, training in trade facilitation, and upgrading of relevant legislation. Activities now in progress or being developed include a public information and awareness activity to clarify the benefits of open trade for the region, support for activities that will facilitate opening of trade in areas (such as customs and standards reform) that are critical to all new trade regimes, and assistance on training in trade policy. Funded and implemented by USAID/Jamaica.	WTO Awareness	155,945
		E-Commerce & IT	311,890
		Export Promotion	311,890
		Business Services & Training	155,945
		Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	311,890
		Other Trade Facilitation	155,945
		Human Resources & Labor Standards	155,945
		Financial Sector Development & Good Governance	155,945
		Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	155,945
		Trade-Related Agriculture	311,890
		Tourism Sector Development	311,890
		Other Services Development	311,890
		Governance/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coordination	311,890
Activity Total	3,118,903		
Improved Business Environment in the Caribbean	Enhance the enabling legislative and regulatory environment for growth and investment. Address trade and competitiveness as a key element in the transition to new and open trade regimes and the enhancement of private sector competitiveness. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Financial Sector Development & Good Governance	430,000
		Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	430,000
		Activity Total	860,000
Increased efficiency and fairness of legal systems in the Caribbean	Modernize legal systems of Caribbean countries and increase access to legal information in the region. Support initiatives to revise and/or update laws related to the Caribbean Single Market and Economy, trade, justice, and security. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Governance/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coordination	531,740

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New Regional Fisheries Management Arrangement in the Caribbean	Funds will be used to establish a Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission (WECAFC) Intersessional Working Group (IWG), which will explore: experience within FAO in strengthening other international fisheries bodies how a strengthened WECAFC could most effectively interact with existing mechanisms and programs in the region and increase economic benefits derived from fishing activities and how a strengthened WECAFC could promote the adoption, implementation and enforcement at the national level of compatible management measures for shared stocks in the region. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Environmental Trade & Standards	50,000
Port Security and Trade Facilitation	Based on currently ongoing assessments, such as those to be performed by the Coast Guard and the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM), select one port to serve as a prototype International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code compliant port, with an emphasis on implementing security plans and filling the gaps indicated by security assessment. Work on increasing containers security by facilitating the development of a system to target marine in-transit containers arriving in or transiting through the Caribbean. Introduce technologies to support monitoring of shipments. Begin to provide necessary hardware for port security activities. Implementation of this activity by the U.S. Department of Defense also involves partnering with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. This activity is in support of the Free Trade Area of the Americas negotiations. Funded by Department of State and implemented by Department of Defense.	Customs Operation & Administration	225,000
Regional Administration of Justice Program	The Regional Legislative Drafting Facility (RLDF) was established to draft laws relating to trade, justice and security, and HIV/AIDS issues for all CARICOM countries. One area of primary focus for the Facility is the drafting of laws which will enable the establishment of a Caribbean Single Market and Economy. This activity has made substantial progress over the review period. To date, rapid progress has been made in researching and drafting of several pieces of legislation including the Uniform Banking Bill, the Harmonized Customs Bill and Regulations, and the Securities Bill and Regulations. In addition, 40 draft amendments to national laws were written in order to remove restrictions on the movement of skilled people and entrepreneurs throughout the region. Funded and implemented by USAID/Jamaica.	Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	750,000
Small Hotels Environmental Activity	This activity provides assistance to the small hotel enterprises in conducting environmental assessments carrying out environmental management systems training establishing certification systems developing and disseminating information related to environmental improvements and assisting some of these hotels to achieve "green certification". Activities compliment the Small Tourism Enterprises Program, and are also mainly focused on the Eastern Caribbean. By the end of FY03, 756 small and medium-sized tourism enterprises were exposed to environmental information, 225 hotels and 20 attraction sites benefited from environmental walkthroughs, and resource centers were established in 10 countries. In addition, 14 hoteliers received financing for environmental improvements from financial institutions. Funded and implemented by USAID/Jamaica.	Environmental Trade & Standards	360,000
		Tourism Sector Development	90,000
		Activity Total	450,000

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Strengthening of Caribbean Immigration Systems	Implement follow-on activities based on the assessments of the technical missions. For example, computerize Caribbean immigration record holdings, develop compatible and interchangeable immigration databases, and provide joint training to Caribbean immigration officials. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Governance/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coordination	1,364,660
Tourism Infrastructure Disaster Preparedness	Conduct disaster preparedness and coordination exercises focusing on tourist infrastructure, such as a cruise ship disaster, involving appropriate public safety and defense agencies in Caribbean states as well as SOUTHCOM, USAIDs OFDA, Coast Guard and other relevant U.S. Government agencies. Exercise would focus on an effective civil response to a disaster or attack and enhance local officials' ability to develop a coordinated interagency (and international) response to terrorism-related attacks. To be managed by Unit for Sustainable Development at the Organization of American States. This activity is in support of the Free Trade Area of the Americas negotiations. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Tourism Sector Development	200,000
Training and TA for Customs and Border-agency Officials	Provide training and technical assistance to candidates from customs and border agencies to promote integrity, professionalism and ethics. Ensuring integrity and ethical behavior is critical to the success of port and airport security programs. To be managed by Inter-American Committee Against Terrorism (CICTE) at the Organization of American States, and the United States Department of Homeland Security. This activity is in support of the Free Trade Area of the Americas negotiations. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Customs Operation & Administration	225,000
Workshop for Strengthening Coordination of Foodborne Disease Prevention	Support by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for a regional workshop on the importance of surveillance for food safety in the farm-to-table approach. Conference also co-sponsored by the CARICOM Secretariat and the Office of Caribbean Program Coordination (CPC) at the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). Funded and implemented by Health & Human Services/FDA.	Agreement on SPS	4,229
Total FY04 USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to Caribbean ns			9,301,659