

United States Government
2005 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)
AZERBAIJAN

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 05 Total
Internal Revenue Service Resident Advisor - Azerbaijan	The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is providing Treasury Office of Technical Assistance (OTA) with one Resident Advisor to assist the Azerbaijan tax authorities to improve their Audit and Collection functions and provide guidance on training issues. Funded by USAID and implemented by Department of Treasury.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	163,091
Telecommunications Sector Ministry of Communications and IT Strategic Restructuring	This Technical Assistance will aid the development of Azerbaijan via the creation of a favorable environment that will expedite the transition to a more market-oriented legal, regulatory policy framework through the wide application of information and communication technologies and practices. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	E-Commerce & IT	367,391
		Physical Infrastructure Development	367,391
		Activity Total	734,782
World Trade Organization Accession	The U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) has provided a grant to the Ministry of Economy and Development of the Government of Azerbaijan (GOAJ) for a technical assistance (TA) project to determine the level of commitment within the GOAJ to make the necessary changes to its domestic legislation in order to meet accession requirements to the World Trade Organization (WTO). Clarification of the trade and legal regimes for investors, which would be part of the WTO accession process, would facilitate U.S. investment in all sectors, including those that are ancillary to the development of oil and gas resources in Azerbaijan. USTDA approved funding for an extension of the WTO Accession Technical Assistance project currently being provided to the Ministry of Economy and Development (MED) of Azerbaijan. The TA will continue to assist MED in preparing documents for the accession, and advice in creating legislation, regulations and procedures in several key areas. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	WTO Accession	980,802
Total FY 05 USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to Azerbaijan			1,878,675