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Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	
		Trade-Related Agriculture	50,000
Associate Professional Officer Position	The US participates in the Associate Professional Officer (APO) program helping junior professionals (less than five years) to gain experience with international organizations. An APO position, typically for two years, costs from \$150,000-200,000. The US Department of Agriculture supported an APO for Latin America and Caribbean at the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA). The APO has helped to increase the effective participation of members of the Institute in Codex Alimentarius, and to improve agricultural health and food safety. The work has advanced the understanding of the Codex organization and its issues. The outreach has also added to the understanding of food safety systems and their important impact on trade issues. Members had the opportunity to express their concerns within the Codex process, and have strengthened their participation in the International Plant Protection Convention and International Office of Epizootics. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Activity Total	50,000
Biosafety Conference - Brazil	Support for the deliverance of a speech at the Brazilian Biosafety Conference, Brazil. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture.	Trade-Related Agriculture	7,183
		Activity Total	7,183

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Border Security: Nonproliferation Compliance Workshop - Latin America	Promotes border security and customs operations by supporting the ability of Latin American countries to comply with United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1540 with respect to nonproliferation export controls. This activity funded a workshop on the resolution with representatives from Belize, Chile, Nicaragua, and Mexico. This activity is part of the Export Control and Related Border Security Assistance (EXBS) program, the premier initiative by the U.S. Government to help other countries improve their export control systems. The program also organizes a number of regional fora to bring national policymakers and technical experts together to share information and best practices. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Customs Operation & Administration	250,000
		Activity Total	250,000
Border Security: Parliamentary Exchange with Latin America	Promotes border security and customs operations by hosting a parliamentary exchange with Latin American countries on key issues. This activity is part of the Export Control and Related Border Security Assistance (EXBS) program, the premier initiative by the U.S. Government to help other countries improve their export control systems. The EXBS program takes a regional and multilateral approach, promoting harmonization of national export control systems with international standards and facilitating information-sharing agreements among nations. The program also organizes a number of regional fora to bring national policymakers and technical experts together to share information and best practices. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Customs Operation & Administration	30,000
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Border Security: WMD Incident Response Training - Latin America	Promotes border security and customs operations by supporting the ability of Latin American countries respond to weapons of mass destruction (WMD) incidents and enforce export controls. This activity provided training in the Panama Canal Zone and utilized the expertise of the U.S. Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA). This activity is part of the Export Control and Related Border Security Assistance (EXBS) program, the premier initiative by the U.S. Government to help other countries improve their export control systems. The EXBS program takes a regional and multilateral approach, promoting harmonization of national export control systems with international standards and facilitating information-sharing agreements among nations. The program also organizes a number of regional fora to bring national policymakers and technical experts together to share information and best practices. Funded and implemented by Department of State.	Customs Operation & Administration	170,000
		Activity Total	170,000
Cold Chain Improvement Initiative	Twenty-three companies in El Salvador, Colombia, and Peru were assessed and audited yielding significant improvements to their operations such as better handling practices, product quality, energy needs, and facility design and efficiency. Program activities were also initiated in Mexico. The project activities significantly impact trade capacity building, regional and free trade agreements. For example, in Colombia the project resulted in starting a self-funded and directed Colombia Cold Chain Association, with an official signing ceremony on June 16 at the U.S. Department of Agriculture conference in Bogota. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	70,000
		Business Services & Training	42,000
		Export Promotion	28,000
		Activity Total	140,000

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Equitable Growth Mechanism for LAC Region	This activity, in part, provides demand-driven assistance to help Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) countries participating in bilateral and regional free trade agreements to prepare for trade negotiations, implement provisions of trade agreements, and transition to free trade, emphasizing rural diversification, small business development, and competitiveness. A new activity web site will be established to provide detailed information. This activity also will provide support for identifying and disseminating information on best practices for trade capacity building, including doing business, and improving access of the poor to trade-related productive assets essential for economic growth and poverty reduction. Funded and implemented by USAID/LAC.	Regional Trade Agreements (RTA)	1,340,000
		Activity Total	1,340,000
Financial Sector Development in the Caribbean: Anti-Money Laundering	Advisors consult with government entities on anti-money laundering (AML) and combat against the finance of terrorism (CFT) issues, as well as maintain a liaison relationship with the Caribbean Anti-Money Laundering Programme (CALP) and the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force (CFATF). The area of responsibility of the advisors has been expanded to include all the English-speaking Caribbean countries (22), all of whom are CFATF members. Countries in the region require assistance in improving the necessary legislative framework, capacity and systems to establish and implement effective AML/CFT regimes, the capacity to identify, investigate and prosecute money laundering violations and to develop legal reforms and the training necessary for the successful investigation and prosecution of complex financial crimes. Countries need assistance in the design, organization and implementation of an effective financial intelligence unit. Funded and implemented by Department of Treasury/OTA.	Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	834,118
		Activity Total	834,118

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Inter-American Institute for Cooperation Workshop on Cartagena Protocol	The US Department of Agriculture provided funding to the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) to provide a series of workshops for IICA member states to strengthen the position of country experts on practical implementation of the documentation and other related Cartagena Protocol requirements. The objective was to establish a Western Hemisphere consensus on documentation requirements for the protocol, which is essential to ensure that trade in the region is not impeded. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	28,000
		Agreement on Agriculture	12,000
		Activity Total	40,000
Market Information Organization of the Americas	The Market Information Organization of the Americas (MIOA), created in 1999, is a technical cooperation network comprised of 20 government institutions in the Western Hemisphere that collect, process, analyze, and disseminate agricultural market information. The main purpose of MIOA is to promote market transparency through timely and systematic information exchanges. Access to market information among the countries of the Americas would help members to identify market opportunities and improve their competitiveness. Activities include electronic linkages of market information systems, assessment of the market information systems in each country, and the development of a Pan-American glossary of terms for exporters in the hemisphere towards the standardization of market reporting. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture.	Trade-Related Agriculture	100,000
		Business Services & Training	100,000
		Activity Total	200,000
Microfinance Support	The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) is providing support for on-lending to microfinance institutions in Latin America. Funded and implemented by Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC).	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	273,600
		Activity Total	273,600

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Sanitary and Phytosanitary Training - Latin America and Caribbean	Support for epidemiology training. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture.	Agreement on SPS	124,991
		Activity Total	124,991
Technical Assistance on Good Manufacturing Practices - LAC	Pan American Network for Drug Regulatory Harmonization (PANDRH) is an initiative to support the processes of drug regulatory harmonization throughout the Americas. Its mission is to promote drug regulatory harmonization for all aspects of quality, safety, and efficacy of pharmaceutical products as a contribution to the quality of life and healthcare of the citizens of the countries of the Americas. Through working groups, for example, good manufacturing practices, bioequivalence and good clinical practices, PANDRH is providing training, examining existing regulations, identifying differences and setting up action plans for collaboration between countries to developing harmonized instruments for drug regulation. Funded and implemented by Health and Human Services/FDA.	Agreement on TBT	8,000
		Activity Total	8,000
Technical Assistance on Human Pharmaceuticals - Latin America and Caribbean	The activity included a workshop for sterile products processing and best practices in pharmaceuticals for 12 Latin American regulators who attended the International Drug Regulatory Forum. Funded and implemented by Health and Human Services/FDA.	Agreement on TBT	13,400
		Activity Total	13,400
Trade Facilitation	Peace Corps Volunteers are working at the community level with host country organizations and individuals to build their capacity to participate in global trade by helping to: (1) integrate information communication technology, (2) provide training in entrepreneurship skills, and (3) to develop sustainable production and marketing efforts. Funded and implemented by Peace Corps.	Tourism Sector Development	146,879
		Business Services & Training	293,758
		E-Commerce & IT	146,879
		Activity Total	587,515

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Total FY06 TCB Funding	4,068,807