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Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY2009	FY2010
			Total	Total
African Development Foundation/Trade and Investment Program	A small proportion of ADF grants currently support Trade and Investment activities of private enterprises and nongovernmental organization in Africa promoting the expansion and development of export trade. However, most of ADF's grants currently support small- and micro-enterprises of marginalized populations in African countries that serve the domestic market and community development initiatives.	Trade-related Services (excluding Tourism)		48,800
		Activity Total		48,800
Business Climate Legal and Institutional Reform (BizCLIR) Project	The BizCLIR task order provides diagnostic and economic enabling environment technical services aimed at improving countries' economic performance. Areas being covered include Doing Business type indicators, Agribusiness diagnostics, private sector health diagnostics, and women-focused research and reforms. BizCLIR also provides a web-based portal for disseminating the information and best practices analyzed at www.bizclir.com. Liberia Description for 2010: Rapid AgCLIR appraisal to support mission's food security and trade-related agriculture agenda.	Trade-related Agriculture		41,000
		Activity Total		41,000
Combating Exploitive Child Labor - Sierra Leone and Liberia	Cost Increase of existing project to combat the worst forms of child labor in Sierra Leone and Liberia.	Trade-related Labor	300,000	
		Activity Total	300,000	
Developing necessary infrastructure for trade	USAID provided \$5,927,000 for transport services, focusing on farm-to-market roads. The roads facilitate agricultural products accessing markets for domestic and international markets, including cocoa, rubber and palm products.	Trade-related Infrastructure	5,927,000	
		Activity Total	5,927,000	
Energy sector policy and electricity provision	The project contributes to the re-electrification of Monrovia for household, commercial and industrial power users. Formulation of Liberia's first national energy policy. The activities encourage more FDI in the power sector and contribute to an improved business enabling environment. This amount includes \$12,000,000 in supplemental funds.	Trade-related Infrastructure	17,640,000	
		Activity Total	17,640,000	
Hotel in Liberia	The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) is providing \$2.7 million of MCL in Political Risk Insurance to RLJ Liberia US, LLC for a hotel in Liberia.	Trade-related Tourism	305,910	
		Activity Total	305,910	
Liberia Threshold Activity - Protection of Intellectual Property Rights	Increase knowledge and capacity of Government of Liberia on the protection of Intellectual Property Rights by supporting work to develop and implement an IP policy framework, prioritize recommendations from WIPO's assessment, strengthen the IPR enforcement and provide training to educate all relevant stakeholders.	Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)		519,200
		Activity Total		519,200
Liberia Threshold Program - Trade Policy Component - Customs Modernization	Modernize Liberia's customs practices by adapting or creating legislation to adhere to the standards and guidelines of the new customs code, provide extensive training to customs officials, brokers, and other key stakeholders on new customs valuation processes and other customs modernization practices, and launch a multi-media campaign to raise awareness among businesses and the public of new customs practices and reforms.	Customs Operations		912,200
		Activity Total		912,200
Liberia Threshold Program - Trade Policy Component - Training and Education on Tariff Harmonization	Provide training and outreach to raise awareness among customs officials, businesses, and consumers of the simplified tariff structures to increase understanding of tariff harmonization, its implications for implementation, and to increase public demand and accountability.	FTAs and Trade Integration		757,150
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Liberia Threshold Program - Trade Policy Development	Strengthen Liberia's trade policy by increasing conformity with international standards including assistance in Government of Liberia's efforts towards accession to the World Trade Organization, review of current policies to streamline inspections and raise health and safety standards to internationally accepted levels, and to respond to gaps identified in the Government of Liberia's implementation of ECOWAS protocols.	WTO Accession and Compliance		706,650
		FTAs and Trade Integration		706,650
		Activity Total		1,413,300
Liberian Interagency Task Force	USDOC hosted 5 Liberian officials in DC in August 2011 for Consultations on an Interagency Approach to the Enforcement of IPR. Officials from Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria and Kenya discussed best practices to achieve communication and coordination among government agencies and the private sector. Individual country action plans were drafted to outline the scope and strategy of the interagency groups to improve the protection of IP in the West and East Africa regions.	Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)		54,400
		Activity Total		54,400
Promoting technology transfer to enhance trade	Providing expert assistance to the Government of Liberia to harmonize information and communication technology policies and protocols and prepare the regulatory, organizational and commercial elements of an international backbone for internet access.	Enterprise Development	500,000	
		Activity Total	500,000	
Reforming Government Procurement - Government of Liberia	The Governance and Economic Management Assistance Program (GEMAP) provides training to government officials in procurement procedures. The program also strengthens mining concession processes by standardizing concession tendering, evaluation, and negotiations and developing standard mineral development agreements, policies, and best practices.	Trade Related Procurement	1,000,000	
		Activity Total	1,000,000	
Renewable Energy in Liberia	The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) is providing \$15 million in financing to BUCHANAN RENEWABLES FUEL INC. to Process Unproductive Rubber Trees Into Wood Chips, and replant new rubber trees for future export in Liberia. In addition OPIC is providing \$111.7 million in financing to BUCHANAN RENEWABLES (MONROVIA) POWER INC. for a 35 Megawatt Rubber Wood Fired Electric Generation Facility.	Trade-related Infrastructure	309,000	
		Activity Total	309,000	
Technical Assistance to Sub Sahara Africa	The objective of this assistance program is to assist the competition and consumer protection agencies in Sub Sahara Africa in implementing their antimonopoly and consumer protections laws. This objective directly supports the opening of markets, fostering economic growth and promoting sustainable development - as contained in the economic development component of the United States Strategic Plan for International Affairs.	Competition Policy, Business Environment, and Governance	12,600	5,575
		Activity Total	12,600	5,575
Technical Assistance: Liberia - Revenue Administration and Policy	Build internal, managerial, and system controls to detect and deter corruption in the audit, collection and deposit processes. Implement a focused program to investigate employee corruption and misconduct. Assist in drafting tax-related legislation that will combine international best practices with local requirements.	Competition Policy, Business Environment, and Governance	173,833	207,958
		Activity Total	173,833	207,958
U.S.-Liberia Trade Conference	The Office of Africa in the International Trade Administration partnered with several USG agencies to initiate work on a comprehensive trade policy for Liberia, working with the large Liberian Diaspora residing in the United States. The focus of this conference was to improve Liberia's MCC indicators on trade policy, regulatory quality, and economic freedom and investing in people.	Trade-related Infrastructure	11,000	
		Activity Total	11,000	