

Table 1. Nicaragua Trade Capacity Assistance for 2009 and 2010

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY2009	FY2010
			Total	Total
Alliance to Create Rural Development Opportunities through Agribusiness Relationships	This activity will provide technical assistance to 5,400 small and medium scale Nicaraguan farmers to fulfill the requirements of the market for agricultural goods for export.	Trade-related Agriculture	237,122	1,290,814
		Activity Total	237,122	1,290,814
Better Work Nicaragua	Develop Better Work approach in the garment sector to improve labor law compliance through monitoring, remediation and 3rd-party verification. Implemented by the ILO.	Trade-related Labor		2,000,000
		Activity Total		2,000,000
CAFTA-DR CITES Support Program	The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), through its International Technical Assistance Program, is coordinating efforts of various agencies and NGO's to strengthen the implementation of the Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species of Flora and Fauna (CITES) in CAFTA-DR countries. The focus of this effort is to establish effective implementing legislation, provide comprehensive CITES training, and improve CITES enforcement in the region.	FTAs and Trade Integration	100,000	17,000
		Activity Total	100,000	17,000
CAFTA-DR SPS Capacity Building Program	Supports capacity building in plant health, animal health, and food safety systems. The emphasis is to harmonize SPS regulations with the international standard setting bodies (Codex, IPPC, OIE) and increase export opportunities for plant, horticultural, and animal products regional and internationally, including the United States.	Trade-related Agriculture	200,000	165,000
		Activity Total	200,000	165,000
Dietary Supplements Good Manufacturing Practices	USDA in collaboration with FDA conducted a Good Manufacturing Practices for Dietary Supplements workshop in Panama City, Panama. The workshop was attended by officials from 13 Latin American countries and focused on the registration and oversight of the dietary supplements industry.	Other Trade Capacity Building	8,846	
		Activity Total	8,846	
Doing Agribusiness in LAC	This activity is conducting a "Doing Agribusiness" assessment in the three LAC Feed the Future focus countries of Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua; subject to funding availability, the assessment may also be carried out in El Salvador, Dominican Republic, and Costa Rica. The information will be used by USAID for strategy development and program design in support of implementation of DR-CAFTA and Feed the Future. Nicaragua Description for 2010: Conduct of Doing Agribusiness assessment in Nicaragua.	Trade-related Agriculture		300,000
		Activity Total		300,000
Financial Deepening in Nicaragua	The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) is providing \$12.5 million in financing to BANCO DE AMERICA CENTRAL for Expansion of Low-Middle Income Mortgage Lending and the Expansion of its SME Lending Portfolio in Nicaragua.	Financial Sector Development	23,750	
		Activity Total	23,750	
INCAE	Instituto Centroamericano de Administración de Empresas (INCAE) will work with 10 Inter-American Foundation grantees to enable them to enter into contracts to export their agricultural products. Its program will include classroom instruction, on-site technical assistance, market research and travel to the United States.	Trade Promotion	142,235	
		Activity Total	142,235	
Nicaragua's Enterprise and Employment Activity	This activity provides technical assistance and training to small and medium enterprises to increase economic growth, income and employment in Nicaragua. It will work with business service providers to enhance the management skills of small and medium enterprises particularly those owned by women.	Trade-related Tourism	127,988	246,106
		Trade-related Services (excluding Tourism)	127,987	246,105
		Trade-related Agriculture	191,982	369,158
		Trade Promotion		58,000
		Environmental Standards and Trade	719,970	615,264

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		Competition Policy, Business Environment, and Governance	191,982	369,158
		Activity Total	1,679,879	2,519,055
Technical Assistance: Government Debt Issuance and Management - Nicaragua	The Department of the Treasury's Office of Technical Assistance (OTA) is working with the Nicaraguan Ministry of Finance to develop a transparent national debt management strategy, develop a market based plan to reduce debt stock, refinance for better terms, reduce dependency on external soft financing and grants, develop capacity for debt management, establish a structure and procedures for primary market issuance, and enhance public disclosure.	Financial Sector Development	118,279	294
		Activity Total	118,279	294
Technical Assistance: Revenue Administration and Policy - Nicaragua	This activity consists of extensive management and audit training, both on-the-job and training-of-trainers. At the senior level, top officials continually demonstrate commitment to reform with the development and implementation of the Strategic and Tactical Plans with help of the U.S. Department of the Treasury/Office of Technical Assistance.	Competition Policy, Business Environment, and Governance	108,471	
		Activity Total	108,471	