Bosnia and Herzegovina

Foreign Operations Appropriated Assistance*

Fiscal Year (FY) 2007: \$46.84 Million(M) (\$32.10M SEED, \$10.74M Other) Estimated FY 2008: \$33.26M (\$27.77M SEED, \$5.49M Other)

Assistance Goals: The overriding United States Government (USG) interest in Bosnia and Herzegovina remains its conversion from a source of regional instability to a peaceful, democratic, multiethnic state on the road to Euro-Atlantic integration. The U.S. works to promote a country that is at peace with its neighbors, capable of combating crime, democratically governed, tolerant and growing economically. Assistance to Bosnia and Herzegovina focuses on transformational diplomacy goals that will help it progress toward Euro-Atlantic institutions. The USG works to strengthen Bosnia and Herzegovina's rule of law by helping consolidate judicial system reforms.

Areas of Focus (Foreign Operations Appropriated Assistance):

Peace and Security (PS): FY 2007: \$15.11M, Est. FY 2008: \$10.29M

- Work with Bosnian law enforcement agencies to increase their capacity to combat the global threat of terrorism and fight organized crime.
- Harmonize Bosnian security institutions with NATO/Partnership for Peace standards. Strengthen security institutions, particularly State-level ones that contribute to regional security, combat terrorism and organized crime
- As a country of origin, transit, and destination for women and girls trafficked for the purpose of commercial sexual exploitation, USG assistance works to empower law enforcement and NGOs to take ownership of anti-trafficking actions

Governing Justly and Democratically (GJD): FY 2007: \$19.06M, Est. FY 2008: \$14.80M

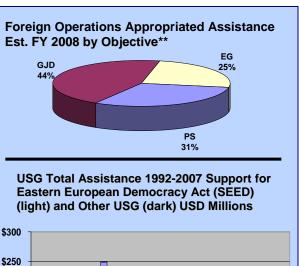
- Improve the efficiency and fairness of Bosnian justice system and enhance its capacity to handle serious cases involving terrorism and war crimes
- Develop the institutional capacity of the Republika Srpska National Assembly, the Federation Parliament, and the Bosnian State Level Parliament by working on legislative drafting and procedural reforms
- O Support local NGOs with training, technical assistance and grant funds to expand their capacity to provide research to legislative bodies

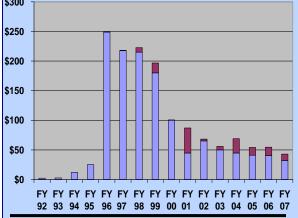
Economic Growth (EG): FY 2007: \$6.75M, Est. FY 2008: \$8.17M

- Promote an accountable, transparent, and modern tax regime that simplifies compliance with tax laws and regulations
- Increase the profitability, employment, and competitiveness of Bosnia's private sector, particularly in the wood processing and tourism sectors
- o Reform Bosnian legal, regulatory, business and fiscal environment

Recent Successes:

- The USG has worked closely with investigators, prosecutors, and judges at the State Court to educate Bosnian colleagues on handling serious criminal cases under the new Criminal Code and in compliance with the new Criminal Procedure Code. The implementation of these new codes has significantly strengthened the capacity to handle serious criminal cases
- USG capacity building efforts helped Bosnian authorities successfully prosecute several organized crime, public corruption, money laundering, human trafficking, war crimes, and terrorism cases
- In the tourism sector, USG assistance to tour operators to develop specific tourism products elevated the Bosnian tourism profile in general and helped connect Bosnia and Herzegovina to global tourism markets. USG assistance





BiH: Est. FY 2008 USD Thousands	
Total Accounts	\$33,260
Assistance for Eastern Europe and Baltic States (SEED):	\$27,773
Foreign Military Financing (FMF):	\$3,292
Non-proliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs (NADR):	\$1,243
International Military Education and Training (IMET):	\$952

For More Information:

SEED Annual Report: http://www.state.gov/p/eur/rls/rpt/92672.htm

USAID Links:

http://www.usaid.gov/locations/europe_eurasia/

U.S. Embassy: http://sarajevo.usembassy.gov/

^{*}Division J of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Omnibus Appropriations Act: Department of State Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2008, including: (SEED), Child Survival and Health (CSH), NADR, IMET and FMF

^{**}Estimate from FY 2009 Congressional Budget Justification; Website: http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/101440.pdf



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to small businesses in wood processing has also increased employment in this industry.