#### **Data Sheet**

**USAID Mission:** Eritrea

**Program Title:**Developing Human and Institutional Capacity

Pillar:

Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade

Strategic Objective: Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade

Strategic Objective: 661-006
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation: \$600,000 DA

Prior Year Unobligated: \$0
Proposed FY 2005 Obligation: \$281,000 DA

Year of Initial Obligation:2003Year of Final Obligation:2007

**Summary:** This new program provides training, consulting services, and limited commodities to develop human and institutional capacity of selected Eritrean government and non-governmental organizations. The program is designed to train individuals from different sectors to help them assume leadership roles in their respective institutions (e.g., ministry departments, universities, local governments, local non-governmental organizations) and to undertake income generating activities (e.g., agricultural and livestock production, small-scale trading). In addition, USAID provides consultants to assist selected institutions to undertake priority activities.

### Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

#### FY 2004 Program:

Improve basic education opportunities in underserved areas (\$600,000 DA). USAID will expand this activity, for which resources were obligated in fiscal year 2003, to improve education resources and instruction in rural areas. This activity will include teacher training and provision of equipment for rural schools. (A contractor or grantee will be selected in FY 2004.)

#### FY 2005 Program:

Support to local community-based organizations (\$281,000 DA). USAID may expand its training, technical assistance, and small grant activities to improve the ability of local community-based organizations (e.g., water associations, parent-teacher associations) to undertake successful community-based activities.

**Performance and Results:** Under the prior strategy, USAID's program achieved several important results in FY 2003 including: 1) five long-term academic trainees returned to Eritrea with advanced degrees in political science, law, archeology, and anthropology, and are teaching full-time at the University of Asmara; 2) three long-term academic trainees completed advanced degree programs and are working in their respective ministries (National Development, Tourism, and Foreign Affairs); 3) the Ministry of Education developed new national education curricula materials and is prepared to launch the curriculum in 2004; and 4) the government-owned telecommunications service announced the corporatization of its operations in preparation for privatization. In addition, in FY 2003, a total of 157 Eritreans (41 female) received training in various fields including health, small business management, information technology, leadership development, agriculture, and water resources management.

USAID's support for building skills of individual Eritreans in selected sectors; strengthening institutions, including the only university and ministries; and improving citizens' access to information is vital for achieving the U.S. Government's long-term goal of developing a more educated, informed, and democratic Eritrea.

# **US Financing in Thousands of Dollars**

## Eritrea

661-006 Developing Human and Institutional Capacity	DA
Through Soutombor 20, 2002	
Through September 30, 2002 Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Fiscal Year 2003	
Obligations	1,947
Expenditures	0
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	1,947
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	1,947
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA	
Obligations	600
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	600
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	281
Future Obligations	1,309
Est. Total Cost	4,137