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## SUBJECT OF USAID INVESTIGATION SENTENCED TO 21 MONTHS IN JAIL

**WASHINGTON, DC** – The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) announced today that as a result of an investigation by the Office of Inspector General (OIG), Waltraud "Trudy" Alloway, also known as Waltraud "Trudy" Jackson, was sentenced to 21 months incarceration by an Eastern District of Virginia Magistrate Judge. This will be followed by three years of supervised release. She must also pay \$288,333 in restitution to USAID.

Alloway was indicted on fifteen counts of embezzlement and money laundering on April 24, 2002. She pleaded guilty on June 13, 2002. During the period from June 1998 through April 2000, Alloway, while employed at Datex, a contracted USAID company, transferred USAID funds totaling \$290,000 from her employer's bank accounts to "Aftermath Associates," a company she owned.

As disclosed in the indictment, Alloway used the stolen funds for personal costs, including the purchase of her Sterling, VA home. A notice of forfeiture was accordingly levied upon this property by the United States Attorney's Office. The house has been sold and its proceeds will go toward the restitution owed.

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