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#### Who gets U.S. Foreign Aid?

Submitted by "Mean Dean" Peterson

The U.S. will give an estimated \$26 billion in foreign aid in 2008 - 70% more than when George W. Bush took office.( the figure does not include related funds to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan). More than 150 countries get financial assistance from the U.S. Here are the six that received the most this year.

Country	Aid	Purpose
1. Israel	\$2.4 billion	Virtually all of this money is used to buy weapons (up to 75% made in the U.S.). Beginning in 2009, the U.S. plans to give \$30 billion over 10 years.
2. Egypt	\$1.7 billion	\$1.3 billion to buy weapons; \$103 million for education; 74 million for health care; \$45 million to promote civic participation and human rights.
3. Pakistan	\$798 million	\$330 million for security efforts, including military-equipment upgrades and border security; $$20$ million for infrastructure.
4. Jordan	\$688 million	\$326 million to fight terrorism and promote regional stability through equipment upgrades and training; \$163 million cash payment to the Jordanian government.
5. Kenya	\$586 million	\$501 millions to fight HIV/AIDS through drug treatment and abstinence education and to combat malaria; \$15 million for agricultural development; \$5.4 million for programs that promote government accountability.
6. South Africa	\$574 million	\$557 million to fight TB and HIV/AIDS; $$3$ million for education.

Followed by 7. Mexico-\$551 million, 8. Columbia-\$541 million, 9. Nigeria-\$491 million and 10. Sudan-\$479 million, round out the top ten.

Estimates based on figures and documents from the U.S. Department of State and Rebecca Davis Obrien.

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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS, AFL-CIO

#### Re: Assignment of City Delivery

The parties agree to the following regarding assignment of city delivery.

- The Memorandum of Understanding Re: Subcontracting, dated September 11, 2007, continues in full force and effect.
- The six-month moratorium referenced in the September 31, 2007 Memorandium of Understanding Re: Article 32 Committee, is continued for the remainder of the term of the 2008 National Agreement.
- In city only delivery offices with highway contract delivery, all new growth will be assigned to the city carrier craft, except for in-growth on existing highway contract delivery routes.
- Disputes over whether an existing contract route is CDS or highway contract will be resolved by the Article 32 Committee, established pursuant to the September 11, 2007 Memorandum of Understanding, Re: Article 32 Committee.

in offices with both city and rural delivery, new deliveries will be assigned in keeping with the following:

- Growth will be assigned in accordance with boundaries that have been established by agreement of the Postal Service. National Association of Letter Carriers, and National Rural Letter Carriers' Association.
- Absent such agreement, the city letter camer craft will be assigned all new growth (i.e., new deliveries that are not in-growth on an existing route assigned to another form of delivery), subject to the following. The Postal Service may assign new growth to another form of delivery only if assigning the work to the city letter carrier craft would result in inefficiencies. In such case, the appropriate NALC National Business Agent must be provided notice. If the union disagrees with such assignment, the National Business Agent may directly refer the matter to a national-fevel task force. This task force will consist of two members appointed by the Postal Service Vice President, Labor Relations, and two members appointed by the President of the NALC. The task force will promptly determine whether assignment of such deliveries to the city letter carrier craft will result in inefficiencies.

The parties recognize and agree that this agreement does not after or amond the terms of the September 11, 2007, Memorandum of Understanding Re: Subconfracting MOU Issues and that the provisions of that MOU apply to this agreement. As such, the duration of this agreement is limited to the remainder of the contract term in accordance with the provisions of that MOU.

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However, the duration of this agreement is also subject to the parties' implementation of the October 22, 2008, Memorandum of Understanding, Re: Interim Alternate Route Adjustment Process. Therefore, if the Postal Service continues to experience mail volume declines so as to invoke the fifth paragraph of that MOU, and the parties are unable to agree to a new process or use again the process described in that MOU by June 30, 2009 or June 30, 2010, this agreement shall terminate and be of no effect.

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October 22 2008

#### Minutes of Meeting: December

No meeting, No minutes!!

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### HAPPEY NEWYEAR!

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The Branch Union office will be opened every Tuesday & Thursday from 2:30 pm till 5:30pm. If I can't help you, I know where to get an answer for you.

Your VP,

Sam Samuels

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