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Program Performance Summary FY 2005: Decades of war and the end of the Ba'athist government resulted in the near complete collapse of Iraq's command economy and subsidy-based social services driving the unemployment rate to over 30%. With a significant portion of the population facing poverty in addition to a wide-spread insurgency and weak transitional government, Iraq can be characterized as a fragile state.

Iraq's ability to address the root causes of fragility is constrained by numerous factors including a pervasive insurgency with the common goal to drive out Coalition Forces and undermine the Government of Iraq (GOI); longstanding religious and ethnic divides that hinder national unity and fuel the insurgency; a physical, political, and regulatory infrastructure that does not currently support sustained economic growth; under-resourced government institutions that lack coordination, have limited technical expertise, and are tainted by high levels of corruption, and; minimal rule of law. There are, however, positive signs in Iraq. In spite of daunting challenges ahead, there is overwhelming evidence that the vast majority of Iragis are optimistic about the future and want a normal life where they can earn a living and support their families in peace. The overwhelming participation in the electoral process in early 2005 represents a giant step toward democracy and a powerful rejection of the former repressive regime, as also demonstrated in the December 15, 2005 national elections. Additionally, the economy has rebounded since the collapse of the Saddam Hussein regime with gross domestic product doubling from roughly \$15 billion in 2003 to \$31.7 billion in 2004, and is expected to reach an estimated \$32.2 billion in 2005. The oil industry, which remains the bedrock of the economy, is gradually recovering from years of underinvestment, war-related damage, and post-war looting. Overall, the Government has had successes in the areas of fiscal management, World Trade Organization accession, and business registration.

USAID's Program supports Iraq's efforts to become a democratic nation at peace with its neighbors, a representative government that respects human rights, and a nation able to maintain domestic order and be an ally in the War on Terror. The USAID program addresses key issues regarding Iraq's current fragile state status, including governance--the need to establish democratic institutions and processes, the need for productive employment and stability, and the need to provide essential services to a diverse and fragmented population which often has competing political demands.

Cross-Cutting Development Challenges: USAID faces a host of major challenges. Critical challenges include a difficult security situation, mitigating conflict, low human capacity in the Iraqi Government, addressing corruption, and providing equal opportunities for women in a male-dominated society.

The security of USAID staff, program implementers, Iraqi counterparts, and aid recipients is a major concern. USAID has supported additional security needs for program implementers and maintains close hold on specific activity details to protect Iraqi recipients. U.S. military support has been crucial for the protection of USAID activities and personnel.

USAID has addressed major causes of conflict through providing services and support to disenfranchised groups (rural populations, women, youth, Sunnis), the promotion of inter- and intra-communal and ethnic dialogue and peace-building activities, supporting the establishment of governance and the rule of law at the local level, and reducing political conflict currently associated with decentralization of state authorities and the control of resources.

The temporary tenure of the interim and transitional governments has made it difficult to build government leaders' capacity, however a long term government will be elected in December 2005. Human capacity building is the primary focus of USAID's Strategic Plan for 2006-2008. It will be an integral and crosscutting component of all programs and activities at the national level and build the capacity of provincial and local governments to assume greater roles and responsibilities in addressing the demands of their constituents. By working with the Government of Iraq in providing assistance to restore essential services, USAID is fostering confidence in the government and building its role in increasing the stability of Iraq.

Corruption is a major problem in Iraq. All USAID activities are designed to ensure transparency and accountability by the government and the private sector. Continued capacity-building at all levels and

with all stakeholders is vital to combating corruption. Activities such as the development of the Ministry of Finance's financial management system, developing the legal framework for economic growth, establishing a transparent electoral system, and training civil society organizations are important anti-corruption accomplishments.

USAID has incorporated gender throughout its development portfolio. Women's rights and the low percentage of women serving as leaders in both the private and public sectors are particular concerns. The Mission is developing the capacity, through training and seminars, of women government officials and women's non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to ensure gender considerations are included in legislation and the constitution, and that women take on greater leadership roles. USAID provided a \$500,000 grant to a coalition of more than 30 women's organizations to promote women's rights in a constitutional democracy; provided a \$10,000 grant to a minority rights organization to lobby for the inclusion of minority rights in the constitution, and established the Iraq Without Violence network of NGOs to monitor violence and mitigate election-related conflict. USAID will build on these successes to help gain further access for women and minorities in the political arena and to advocate for women's and minority rights and social sector reforms.

Key Achievements:

Infrastructure: USAID's infrastructure program continued to achieve significant results in electric power generation and distribution, potable water and wastewater treatment, and access to transportation and communications networks. USAID has added/restored 1,182 megawatts (MW) of generation capacity; increased treatment of potable water to serve an additional 3.5 million Iraqis; and restored wastewater treatment capacity to serve an additional 3.2 million Iraqis.

Significant progress has been made in improving electricity service in Baghdad, the most populous area of Iraq which also experiences the greatest power shortages. Maintenance, upgrades, and new construction at power stations throughout the city have improved electricity services for more than 1.5 million residents. In addition to this rehabilitation work, USAID provided training for hundreds of power sector staff in operations and maintenance (O&M). USAID also provided more than \$30 million in critical spare parts for Ministry of Electricity generation plants. The provision of these critical spares, as well as the O&M training, is essential to sustain the reliability and availability of power to Iraq.

In the transportation sector, USAID completed work on the rehabilitation of 72 kilometers of railroad track between Umm Qasr and Shuiaba Junction in southern Iraq and completed installation of the emergency generator park, which will provide up to 30MW of backup emergency power at Baghdad International Airport. In the telecommunications sector, USAID installed two kilometers of fiber in Southern Iraq, for the Consolidated Fiber Network project which will connect the electricity and communications sectors across Iraq to ensure more reliable communications among the Ministry of Electricity's power plants.

In the potable water sector, USAID added treatment capacity to serve an additional 3.5 million Iraqis. This included the expansion and rehabilitation of water treatment plants in Baghdad, Kirkuk, Karbala, Dujayl, Najaf and Basrah. USAID also completed 15,685 house connections, a near 31% increase over the original plan, which resulted in restored or improved service to approximately 180,000 Sadr City residents in Baghdad. USAID has begun construction of 48 potable water systems in rural areas of Iraq and will expand to 70 systems, providing access to potable water for over 700,000 rural Iraqis. USAID promoted sustainable waste management through rehabilitation of five wastewater plants, serving 3.2 million Iraqis. USAID also commenced construction at the Karbala Wastewater Treatment Plant, which will eventually serve 740,000 Iraqis, and the Zafraniyah Sewage Trunk Line, which will serve approximately one million residents of Baghdad.

Education: USAID is supporting Iraq in developing a population of innovative and critical thinkers who will form the basis of a democratic society and a strong economy. Since the conclusion of the 2003 war, USAID has supported the Ministry of Education (MOE) by rehabilitating, in full or in part, some 2,949 primary and secondary schools. At the systems level, USAID began development of a comprehensive Educational Management Information System to enable the MOE to improve resource allocation within

the education system, forecast future needs and priorities, increase transparency, and promote decentralization. USAID provided financial management and budgeting training to 59 MOE Directors of Finance, Budgeting, and Accounting, and ensured that 735 MOE staff are now computer literate. To improve the quality of classroom instruction, USAID provided training to 53,000 primary and secondary school teachers as part of a program to train 100,000 primary and secondary school teachers from 2003 to 2006. More than 580 "master trainers" were trained to provide pedagogical instruction for secondary school teachers.

To improve access to educational opportunities for out-of-school youth, USAID began an "accelerated learning" program allowing children to study an MOE-endorsed curriculum which enables students to complete the six-year course of primary school in just three years. Approximately 16,000 students aged 12 to 18 have been enrolled in the program during the 2005/2006 academic year. USAID programs also increased access to education for primary school children in rural areas by improving school infrastructure facilities in 368 of 400 targeted primary schools throughout Iraq, benefiting approximately 180,000 primary school students. In 2005, USAID built or rehabilitated 37 primary schools in rural areas benefiting 10,449 students. In higher education, USAID provided support to academic faculties at 10 of Iraq's 21 public universities. Workshops, conferences, refresher courses, and educational exchanges within Iraq, third countries, and the U.S were provided. USAID rehabilitated and equipped 23 specialist libraries, 23 computer labs, 20 specialist science labs, and 17 auditoriums or classrooms, benefiting approximately 50,000 university students.

Health: USAID's program has strengthened Ministry of Health's (MOH) human and institutional capacity to improve the availability, quality, and effectiveness of essential primary health care services; enhance the systems and strategies used to develop and deliver these services, and; strengthen leadership at all levels of the sector.

USAID programs have expanded access to key maternal and child health services such as immunization and nutrition, providing families with the means to better protect their children's health, and increase immunity to childhood diseases. USAID collaborated with the World Health Organization to train 89 physician and nurse trainers in the Integrated Management of Childhood Illness curricula. Trainers use these curricula with physician and nurse providers for 142 primary health care centers being constructed and equipped around the country with U.S. Government funding. USAID has also contributed to an improvement in routine immunization coverage, which increased from 60% in 2003 to 74% in 2005. In its 2005 national polio, measles, mumps, and rubella campaigns, the MOH vaccinated 98% of the target population of children under five. As a result of the reinstatement of national immunization campaigns in both 2004 and 2005, a 90% reduction was seen in laboratory-confirmed cases between 2004 and 2005

USAID's programs continued to support a broad range of activities to reduce the prevalence of underweight children and improve maternal nutritional status through assistance to the MOH's Targeted Nutrition Program. USAID supported the development of a national strategy to address infant and young children's nutrition. USAID has also established 14 new nutrition rehabilitation units, training of trainers of pediatricians on targeted nutrition program approaches, and the delivery of essential program supplies including anthropometric scales, vitamin A, therapeutic food and milk, oral re-hydration solution, and iron supplements for pregnant and nursing mothers. USAID has also been supporting the development of a national program to fortify wheat flour with iron and folic acid, procurement of 215 feeders for 180 operational flour mills, training of technicians in the installation and maintenance of these feeders, and training of program managers from the MOH/Nutrition Research Institute, the Ministry of Trade, and the Iraqi Bureau of Standards and Specifications on fortification.

Economic Growth: USAID's activities aimed at creating an enabling environment for the private sector are designed to create a more transparent, efficient, and responsive public sector; promote more effective legal and regulatory reform, and; increase the depth of private sector growth.

To create a framework for economic growth, USAID has supported the drafting and amending of various laws, including the Commercial Agency Law, Competition and Consumer Protection Law, Civil Society/Non-Profit Organization Law, and Insurance Law. USAID drafted legal assessments on real

estate and housing, contracts and sales, bankruptcy, insolvency, collateral lending and secured transactions, competition and consumer protection, foreign direct investment, international trade, intellectual property, and labor and employment. USAID is playing an integral role in developing the capacity of key Iraqi ministries to strengthen their ability to deliver public services. USAID has embedded advisors at 10 ministries and the Central Bank of Iraq to help implementation of reforms. USAID assisted with the establishment of Irag's National Development Strategy, the setup of a donor coordination unit, and development of national statistics. USAID advisors work with the Ministry of Finance (MOF) to manage the national budget, to address International Monetary Fund requirements in the Emergency Post-conflict Agreement, and to conduct negotiations with foreign creditors. USAID is supporting the implementation of the Iraqi Financial Management Information System, which gives the MOF a transparent budget execution system covering over 85% of the government's budget. Assistance was given to the Ministry of Industry and Minerals, resulting in the development of a framework to commercialize state-owned enterprises. USAID provided significant assistance to the GOI with its accession to the World Trade Organization by drafting and ensuring timely submission of the Memorandum on the Foreign Trade Regime to Geneva. USAID helped establish the Iraqi Trade Information Center, in which eight of the original 17 staff and mangers are women, and the Investment Promotion Agency, which is managed and staffed by a team of eight women.

USAID strengthened vocational training and job placement services provided by the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (MOLSA). Over 12,000 Iraqis received training, 34% of whom were women, and 7,000 people obtained short-term employment as a result of USAID's assistance. In Baghdad, four training centers were rehabilitated enabling the MOLSA to provide training to an additional 2,500 students per month. USAID has delivered business skills training to over 1,100 Iraqi small business representatives, including 545 women, and provided grants to more than 350 businesses, resulting in increased employment and greater productivity. Substantial one-on-one technical assistance has been provided to 10 business associations, including two women's associations, focusing on business plan development, skills training, adoption of model by-laws and codes of ethics, and developing advocacy strategies. USAID is rehabilitating the publicly-traded debt and equities markets by improving the structures, rules, procedures, and operations of the Iraqi Stock Commission, the Iraqi Stock Exchange, the Iraq Central Securities Depository and the Iraqi Association of Securities Dealers. New lending capacity is being introduced by direct involvement with private banks, illustrated by four private banks formalizing their commitment to begin cash flow-based lending to small- and medium-sized enterprises. USAID also established four new microfinance institutions and began developing access to credit for the agricultural sector.

USAID is providing broad assistance to the agriculture sector to increase land utilization and productivity, and to rehabilitate Iraq's second largest contributor to the gross domestic product. Wheat production has increased by 6.25% due to the introduction of improved seeds and modern production techniques. USAID sponsored the distribution of 169 seed cleaners, which directly benefited 32,800 farm families, and they are expected to increase farm yields by 30% in the next year. More than 470 crop demonstrations introduced over 26,000 farmers, Ministry of Agriculture staff, and university staff and students to new technologies, which will increase yields of six crops. USAID is also assisting with the restoration of the Iraqi marshlands by developing a restoration strategy for the GOI, and imbedding teams in the marshlands to monitor and report on the bio-diversity recovery of plants and animals in the marshes. To improve the efficiency of water distribution and use, USAID has rehabilitated 183 miles of tertiary canals, serving 15,182 acres of farm land and 6,899 Iraqis farm families. USAID also assisted with the vaccination of two million sheep against brucellosis, and introduced modern practices in animal breeding and handling techniques in 240 villages, encompassing 4,800 Iraqi women, to further reduce the risk of spreading diseases from animals to human populations.

Democracy and Governance: USAID has played a key role in rebuilding Iraqi institutions while honoring democratic principles and procedures. In spite of the lack of experience with democratic governance at all levels of Iraqi society, important progress was made in several arenas including the legislature, electoral administration, decentralization, and the media. Additionally, NGOs supported by USAID have played significant roles in the preparation of the constitution, promoting free, fair, and transparent elections, managing conflict, and providing government oversight.

In elections support, USAID was instrumental in supporting the transitional process, including the establishment of the Independent Electoral Commission of Iraq (IECI) and the successful conduct of three election events. USAID supported voter registration; ensured delivery of election-related public information and commodity procurements; embedded 14 technical experts within the IECI in full partnership with the UN; and implemented a comprehensive, country-wide voter education campaign with essential outreach to Sunni Arab voters. USAID also trained 35,000 election observers; produced and distributed 1.35 million pamphlets and other informational supplements on the constitution; and conducted more than 1,861 sessions on the constitution, reaching 68,300 individuals across Iraq, including women and 25,000 Sunni Arabs. During the January 2005 elections 68 women were elected to the new assembly, 40% of whom had attended the Women's Candidate Training seminars offered by USAID.

USAID has worked to strengthen the capacity of the legislative branch of the Iraqi interim and transitional governments and their staff to include lawmaking, representation, and executive oversight. USAID also worked with the Executive Branch to develop governing processes, rules, procedures, regulations and directives necessary to enforce the laws as well as mechanisms to implement government programs and policies. Critical assistance was provided to women leaders in the Iraqi National Assembly (including members of the Constitutional Committee), Provincial Councils, and civil society organizations to ensure that fundamental rights of women are included in the Constitution.

In local governance, USAID provided a variety of technical assistance and training to establish the structure of governments and build their capacity in delivering basic services. Through its Local Governance Program (LGP), USAID has helped establish 16 of Iraq's 18 governorates, as well as 96 districts, 195 city/sub-districts, and 437 neighborhood councils. The LGP has trained and mentored more than 2,000 local council members, 15 governors, 42 deputy governors, and 420 department heads and staff on local government administration and service delivery. To encourage citizens to engage with their governments, 22,000 democracy dialogues were conducted wherein more than 750,000 Iraqis participated. Rapid resource grants were also provided for the improvement of the delivery of basic services to over 21 million people throughout Iraq for small community projects such as water, sewage, electricity and solid-waste management. Over the last year USAID has worked to develop civil society groups and the media to encourage the active participation of Iraqi citizens at all levels of Iraq's emerging democracy.

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FY 2006 Program

SO: 267-006 Program Support and Development of the Gulf Region

Program Support

Program Support: The MEPP II and its database system is providing data on all USAID activities in Iraq. The database is being continuously upgraded to provide greater analysis of data required for program management as well as for reporting. Evaluations are being conducted to provide important analysis and lessons learned from ongoing programs, which will be applied to the implementation of USAID's new strategic plan. Additional program support costs, such as applicable personnel, temporary support assignments, and public outreach costs are included. Principal Implementer: International Business and Technical Consultants Inc. (IBTCI).

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SO: 267-006 Program Support and Development of the Gulf Region

Program Support

Program Support: The MEPP II and its database system will continue to provide data on USAID activities and archive data on closed-out activities. Principal Implementer: IBTCI.

FY 2006 Program

SO: 267-007 Focused Stabilization: Reduce the Incentives for Participation in Violent Conflict

Support Populations at Risk

Support Populations at Risk (\$30,000,000 IRRF). USAID is working closely with the U.S. military and the Government of Iraq (GOI) to identify strategic cities and areas where focused stabilization programs will reduce insurgent activities. Working through community groups and local non-governmental organizations (NGOs), the \$30 million program is supporting community revitalization efforts in Baghdad and at least four other cities in FY 2006. Illustrative targets for the selected areas include the provision of at least 2,500 person years of employment and skills development; the expansion of 40 small and medium enterprises; the creation of 200 micro-enterprises; providing informal education to 5,000 young people; and supporting local NGOs in managing conflict situations in their communities. Principal Implementer: To Be Determined.

FY 2007 Program

SO: 267-008 Expand Private Sector Opportunities

Improve Economic Policy and the Business Environment

Improve Economic Policy and the Business Environment (\$90,000,000 ESF). Funds will be used to improve economic governance and private sector development programs, and to help the GOI make the politically difficult economic reforms needed to build a solid base for supporting and sustaining basic, essential services to the Iraqi people. These funds would support programs to help reform the subsidy system costing Iraqis billions of dollars a year in revenues, particularly fuel subsidies. This request would also support an overhaul of the trade investment regime and encourage foreign direct investment in Iraq, including in the oil sector. About \$10 million would also be used to help Iraq continue the legal process of World Trade Organization (WTO) accession. Principal Implementers: BearingPoint and another To Be Determined (TBD).

Improve Private Sector Competitiveness

Improve Private Sector Competitiveness (\$38,500,000 ESF). USAID will support a variety of programs to improve Iraq's financial sector. Approximately, \$18.5 million will support microenterprise and small-

medium enterprise loans to help the Iraqi business sector grow, particularly new microfinance institutions and a loan guarantee corporation. Through provincial economic development tied with national commercial, legal, and institutional reforms, USAID will provide firm-level assistance to at least 1,500 Iraqi-owned businesses. Approximately \$20 million of this funding is specifically focused on facilitating investment and private sector growth by building the capacity of the Ministry of Industry, local government and business organizations, and Iraqi microfinance organizations. Principal Implementers: Louis Berger and another TBD.

Increase Agricultural Sector Productivity

Increase Agricultural Sector Productivity (\$84,000,000 ESF). Through provincial economic development tied with national commercial, legal, and institutional reforms, USAID will integrate agriculture sector development and value-added processing with agricultural lending and firm-level assistance. Continued support will be provided to rural farmers to introduce modern and affordable technologies and practices. New assistance will be provided to the Ministry of Agriculture to introduce policy reforms and shift the agriculture sector to a market-based structure. Through capacity building efforts and country-wide monitoring, USAID will continue to support the Ministries of Water Resources and Agriculture to develop a water and land resource management strategy. USAID will continue to lead the implementation effort to prevent the spread of disease to the human population through vaccination campaigns and creating awareness among rural farmers. Principal Implementers: TBD.

FY 2006 Program

SO: 267-009 Democratic Governance: Develop Effective Local Government and Civil Society

Support Democratic Local Government & Decentralization

Support Democratic Local Government and Decentralization (\$30,000,000 IRRF; \$5,000,000 ESF). The local governance program forms the heart of U.S. Government efforts in helping Iraq become more selfreliant. Work is being carried out in consultation with PRTs. Under the PRTs, USAID is promoting decentralization through building the capacity of Provincial Councils (PCs) to address citizens' needs at the provincial, district, and sub-district level. USAID is providing technical experts to enable PCs and their staff to carry out legislative and oversight responsibilities in a democratic and transparent manner. Activities are being linked with the National Council of Representatives and key provincial ministries to adopt new local government codes and to form a local government caucus in the National Council. USAID is carrying out pilot decentralization projects under the "learning by doing" component of the program and capacity is being strengthened on rules and procedures, subcommittee formation, meeting management systems, ethics and accountability codes, community-based activities, and locally-managed services. Assistance is being provided through the community action program to identify and prioritize community development projects in coordination with PRTs and the Provincial Reconstruction and Development Council, including rehabilitating water systems, roads, schools, and clinics. In addition, this program is promoting income generation/job creation in order to help minimize conflicts, particularly those brought on by insurgency or from ethnic/religious tensions. USAID is targeting civil society organizations as well as non-traditional partners such as cooperatives, labor unions, professional associations, and producer organizations to strengthen their capacity. In collaboration with local government outreach efforts, civil society organizations are working to address corruption, the needs of women and other minorities, and overall human rights issues within the province in which they work. Principal Implementers: Research Triangle Institute, America's Development Foundation, and others To Be Determined.

FY 2006 Program

SO: 267-010 Improve Capacity of National Government Institutions

Improve Economic Policy and the Business Environment

Improve Economic Policy and the Business Environment (\$5,000,000 IRRF). USAID is supporting the

implementation of the Iraq Financial Management Information System and providing technical advisors to the Ministry of Finance, Central Bank of Iraq, and Prime Minister's Office to promote economic reforms and meet International Monetary Fund conditions. USAID will begin to close-out of these activities in May 2006 and will fully expend all funding by September 2006. Principal Implementer: BearingPoint.

Strengthen Public Sector Executive Function

Strengthen Public Sector Executive Function (\$20,000,000 IRRF). USAID is helping the new GOI to strengthen the core public administration functions of its key ministries in the areas of fiscal and personnel management, strategic planning and policy development, leadership, information technology, communications, and technical skills. Technical assistance is being provided to institutionalize public administration "best practices" of these core functions by developing standard public administration training modules and processes across the key ministries. In the area of public sector development, USAID, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Treasury, is spearheading the GOI initiative to implement the Iraqi Financial Management Information System linking all GOI ministries and all governorates under real-time government accounting system. Working with the Ministry of Finance, USAID and the U.S. Department of Treasury are assisting the GOI to revamp the budgeting process to increase efficiency and transparency. Economic policy advisors are assisting both the Ministry of Finance and the Prime Minister's Office to support continued economic reform efforts. Additionally, assistance is being provided to the Central Bank of Iraq to continue bank supervision and regulatory oversight capacity building. Principal Implementers: BearingPoint and another To Be Determined (TBD).

FY 2007 Program

SO: 267-010 Improve Capacity of National Government Institutions

Strengthen Public Sector Executive Function

Strengthen Public Sector Executive Function (\$25,000,000 ESF). This funding will provide technical assistance to Iraqi banks, the stock exchange, and the securities commission. Approximately, \$20 million will specifically focus on building the capacity of the Ministry of Finance and the Central Bank of Iraq, particularly in their capacity to develop and execute budgets, manage financial system, and support the Iraqi payment system. USAID and the U.S. Department of Treasury will work in partnership on this program. Principal Implementers: TBD.

Results Framework

267-001 Restore Economically Critical Infrastructure Program Title: Infrastructure

- 1.1: Improved electrical power production and distribution capacity
- 1.2: Improved roadway and bridge networks
- 1.3: Improved railway networks
- 1.4: Improved water resource management Capacity
- 1.5: Improved telecommunications range and capacity
- 1.6: Improved port navigation, berthing capacity and cargo/bulk transportation access
- **1.7**: Improved airport facilities and capacity to support safe and regular international passenger and cargo air transport service

267-002 Support Essential Education, Health and Other Social Services Program Title: Education and Health

- 2.1: Expanded Access to Public Health Center Services
- 2.2: Improved Effectiveness of Public Health Center Services
- 2.3: Enhanced Sustainability of Public Health Center Services
- 2.4: Essential primary and secondary education programs restored
- 2.5: Primary and secondary students encouraged to return to and stay in school
- **2.6**: More interactive and participatory teaching methods employed in primary and secondary school instruction
- 2.7: Increased or established institutional capacity to manage national education reform process and standards
- **2.8**: Increased national, regional, and international partnerships for exchanging best practices in higher education

267-003 Expand Economic Opportunity Program Title: Expand Economic Opportunity

- **3.1**: Strengthened financial sector through Central Bank, commercial banking and inter-bank payment improvements
- **3.2**: Improved fiscal capacity in budget planning and execution, tax administration and modernization, and intergovenmental planning
- **3.3**: Expanded private sector development through jobs creation, commercial law reform, SME/micro credit, SOE reform
- **3.4**: Improved utilities and regulatory capacity in electricity by deter-mining cost structure, strenthening SOE capacity and developing a master plan
- 3.5: Key special projects conducted including currency exchange, Oil for Food transition
- 3.6: Increased capacity of institutions supporting Iraq's agricultural economy
- 3.7: Improved market-led environment operating in agricultural sector
- 3.8: Enhanced food security for Iraqi population
- 3.9: Improved Sustainability practices for resource use

267-004 Improve Efficiency and Accountability of Government Program Title: Efficiency and Accountability of Government

- **4.1**: More Effective and Efficient Local Service Delivery
- **4.2**: More Transparent Participatory and Representative Identification of Local Needs and Resource Allocation
- 4.3: Strengthened Civil Society Advocacy Groups to Represent Civil Interests
- 4.4: Increased Income and Job Opportunities, Especially for Youth

267-006 Program Support and Development of the Gulf Region

Program Title: Program Support and Development

267-007 Focused Stabilization: Reduce the Incentives for Participation in Violent Conflict Program Title: Focused Stabilization

- a.1: Establish Rapid-Response Mechanisms for Employment Generation and Youth Programs
- a.2: Assist Municipal Government to Provide Essential Services
- a.3: Reduce Ethnic/Religious Conflict

267-008 Expand Private Sector Opportunities Program Title: Economic Growth

- **b.1**: Increase Access to Financial Services
- **b.2**: Promote Trade and Investment
- b.3: Strengthen Capacity and Productivity of the Private Sector

267-009 Democratic Governance: Develop Effective Local Government and Civil Society Program Title: Local Governance

- c.1: Improve Effectiveness and Legitimacy of Local Governments
- c.2: Build Capacity of Civil Society to Advocate for Their Interests

267-010 Improve Capacity of National Government Institutions Program Title: National Capacity Development

- d.1: Develop Core Functions of National Level Institutions
- d.2: Improve Capacity of Government of Iraq to Operate and Maintain Key Infrastructure
- d.3: Improve Policy, Legal and Regulatory Environment