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DRAFT VIP SCHEDULE:

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***U.S.- AFRICA MINISTERIAL:
PARTNERSHIP FOR THE 21st CENTURY***

Monday, March 15

4:00pm Pre-Registration

6:00pm Welcome Reception

*U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright
Ambassador Olhaye (TBD)
Ambassador Roble (TBD)*

8:00pm Reception concludes

Pre-Registration ends

Tuesday, March 16

7:30am Registration

Please plan to arrive before 8:15am.

**ONCE THE AREA IS SECURE, NO ONE WILL BE
ADMITTED UNTIL THE PRESIDENT DEPARTS.**

8:30am Conference Area Secured

9:00am **Opening Plenary**

*President of the United States William Jefferson Clinton
U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright
OAU Secretary General Salim Salim (invited)*

10:00am Coffee break

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Africa
conference,
March, 1999 TC,

Conference
Economic Costs
and Control of
HIV/AIDS in
Africa.

10:15am **Panel Discussion: The Economic Partnership**
(Current status of the President's Partnership for Economic Growth and Opportunity in Africa)

Director of the National Economic Council Gene Sperling
ECA Executive Secretary K.Y. Amoako
U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky
Secretary of Commerce William Daley
USAID Administrator Brian Atwood
Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater

12:00pm Business Networking Lunch

Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman
Agribusiness CEO

2:00pm Roundtables

Roundtable I	Roundtable II
U.S.-Africa Cooperation in the Multilateral Trading System: Challenges & Opportunities	Democracy, Human Rights and the U.S. Africa Partnership
<i>U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky</i>	<i>U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright</i>
<i>OAU Assistant Secretary General Ambassador Makan (invited)</i>	<i>Botswana Foreign Minister (invited)</i>
	<i>African Civil Society Representative (TBD)</i>

3:30pm Coffee break

4:00pm

Workshops

Workshop I	Workshop II
Mobilizing Finance	Building an Agribusiness Partnership: Identifying the Opportunities
<i>U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of Treasury for Asia, The Americas and Africa Daniel M. Zelikow</i>	<i>U.S. Secretary for Agriculture Dan Glickman</i>
<i>Emerging Markets Partnership Edward Jaycox</i>	<i>COMESA General Secretary Erastus Mwencha</i>
<i>International Monetary Fund Chief Economist for Africa Ernesto Hernandez-Cata</i>	<i>USDA Under Secretary August Schumacher, Jr.</i>
<i>HIID Fellow Kwesi Botchewey</i>	<i>U.S. Foreign and Commercial Services Deputy Director General Jerry Mitchell</i>
<i>African Minister (TBD)</i>	

Workshop III
Regional Integration
<i>U.S. Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs Thomas Pickering</i>
<i>ECOWAS Executive Secretary Lansana Kouyate (invited)</i>

5:30pm Workshops conclude

6:00pm CCA Reception

*U.S. Secretary of Commerce William Daley
U.S. Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater
U.S. Trade Agency Heads*

8:00pm Reception concludes

Wednesday, March 17, 1998

8:30am Arrival

9:00am **Building Infrastructure for Business Partnerships**

*U.S. Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater
Mozambique Minister of Commerce, Industry, Tourism Baloi (invited)
U.S. Export Import Bank President and Chairman James A. Harmon
U.S. Trade and Development Agency Director J. Joseph Grandmaison
U.S. Overseas Private Investment Corporation President Kirk Robertson*

11:00am Coffee Break

11:15am

Workshops

Workshop I	Workshop II
Realizing the Potential of the African Microenterprise Sector <i>U.S. Treasury Office of Community Development Director Michael Barr</i> <i>USAID Deputy Administrator Harriet C. Babbitt</i> <i>Kenya Rural Enterprise Program Director Kimanthi Mutua</i> <i>Bank of Ghana Dr. David Andah</i>	Good Governance, Africa and the Global Economy <i>Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs Stuart M. Eizenstat</i> <i>Uganda Ethics Minister Maria Matemba (invited)</i> <i>Global Coalition for Africa – Ahmedon Ould-Abdallah (invited)</i>
Workshop III	Workshop IV
Peace for Prosperity: Conflict Resolution in Africa <i>U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Susan Rice</i> <i>OAU Secretary General Salim Salim (invited)</i>	Accessing Trade and Project Finance Briefing <i>U.S. Overseas Private Investment Corporation's Regional Manager for Africa Sam Smoots</i> <i>U.S. Export-Import Bank of Counselor for Africa Anne Marie Emmet</i> <i>U.S. Trade and Development Regional Director for Africa and the Middle East John Richter</i>

12:45pm Workshops conclude

1:00pm Lunch with keynote speaker
Investing in Human Resource Development

Secretary of Labor Alexis Herman

2:30pm Lunch ends

3:00pm

Roundtables

Roundtable I	Roundtable II
Energy, the Economy, and Environment <i>U.S. Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson</i> <i>Senegal Energy Minister Magadou Diouf</i>	Treasury <i>U.S. Secretary of Treasury Robert Rubin</i> <i>African Finance Minister (TBD)</i>

4:00pm

Coffee Break

4:15pm

Workshops Begin

Workshop I	Workshop II
Telecommunications, Information and the New Economy <i>U.S. Federal Communications Chairman William Kennard (invited)</i> <i>World Bank Senior Economist Paul Bermingham</i> <i>Mozambique Vice Minister of Transport and Communication Antonio Fernando (invited)</i>	Economic Costs and Control of HIV/AIDS and Malaria in Africa <i>U.S. White House Office of National AIDS Policy Director Sandy Thurman</i> <i>Zambia Minister of Health Dr. Nkando Luo (invited)</i> <i>World Bank HIV/AIDS Coordinator Deberwork Zewdie</i>

Workshop III	Workshop IV
Human Capacity Development – The Investment That Pays	The Generalized System of Preference Program (GSP) and U.S. Market Access Requirements
<i>USAID Assistant Administrator for Africa Vivian Lowery Derryck</i>	<i>U.S. Assistant Trade Representative for Africa Rosa Whitaker</i>
<i>World Bank Representative Dr. Akilu Habte</i>	<i>U.S. Assistant Trade Representative for Trade and Development Jon Rosenbaum</i>
<i>Tulane University Professor Dr. William Bernard</i>	
<i>African Minister (TBD)</i>	

5:45pm Workshops conclude

Thursday, March 18, 1999

8:30am Arrival at Capitol Hill

9:00am Congressional Program

Members of Congress

11:15am Program ends

11:45am Arrival at State

12:00pm **Closing Plenary**

Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater

Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman

U.S. Trade Representative Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky

OAU Council of Ministers Chair Burkina Faso Minister of Foreign Affairs

1:00pm Plenary concludes

1:15pm Press Conference begins

1:45pm Press Conference concludes

After 2:00pm:

Optional bilaterals and side meetings

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Resource people

Dr. Nkanda Luo

Debrework Zewdie (HIV)--World Bank

DoB [redacted] (b)(6)

Todd Summers, White House Office of National AIDS Policy

Michael Iskowitz, White House

Dr. Mead Over, World Bank

DoB [redacted] SSN [redacted]

Dr. Peter Lamprey, Director, Family Health International Impact HIV/AIDS Project

Mr. Todd Summers, White House ONAP

Mr. Alex Ross, USAID (has US Diplomatic passport) -- workshop coordinator

Dr. Paul Delay, USAID

DoB [redacted] (b)(6)

Dr. Ishrat Husain, USAID

Ms. Irene Koek, USAID (has State Dept identification)

Ms. Eka Williams, President, Society for Women and AIDS in Africa

Dr. Jacob Gayle, UNAIDS

DoB [redacted] (b)(6)

John Stover, Futures Group

Labor person? AFL-CIO

Dr. Roscoe Moore, Associate Director for African Affairs, HHS Office of the Secretary/Office of International and Refugee Health

DoB [redacted] (b)(6)

Dr. Helene Gayle, Director,

Questions for the Moderator of HIV/AIDS Session at the U.S –Africa Ministerial Meeting

Question: What factors inhibit strong commitment of leaders of several African countries to HIV/AIDS prevention and mitigation programs?

- Develop recognition that countries that have succeeded in preventing the epidemic, both in Africa and outside, have strong commitment of the leaders to address the problem. These leaders have spoken out and have helped in reducing the stigma associated with the disease.

Question: What specific actions can be taken on the part of relevant ministries such as finance and planning to mobilize resources- both financial and human- to intensify the programs?

- Discuss the scaling up of the interventions found to be successful in preventing HIV/AIDS and mitigating its impact on a small scale. The financial resources and capacity of the institutions to implement the programs on a large scale are the major constraints. Private and public sector, non-governmental organizations and communities have worked in partnership in countries with successful programs.

Question: What steps can African leaders take to adopt multi-sectoral approaches to HIV/AIDS programs so that all relevant sectors are involved in prevention and mitigation efforts, and how can the U.S. support these efforts?

- Discuss actions that can be taken to implement a multi-sectoral program. HIV/AIDS has serious impact on different sectors. Recognize the implications of HIV/AIDS for different sectors and the role they can play in strengthening the program are important for accelerating program implementation.

Workshop on “Economic Costs and Control of HIV/AIDS and Malaria in Africa”

This workshop will highlight the significant economic and social impacts of HIV/AIDS and malaria on Africans and the recent significant successes in preventing and mitigating these diseases. Participants will discuss the potential of HIV/AIDS and malaria to sap the economic strength of the workforce in Africa, and to reverse prior economic gains.

Panelists will present the known costs and projected dimensions of the HIV/AIDS pandemic and of malaria. Prominent Africans will present selected successful African responses, such as in Uganda and Senegal, as well as approaches to mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS and of malaria. Participants will also discuss the potential of new international initiatives, such as Rollback Malaria and the Partnership Against AIDS in Africa, to make a significant impact on reducing the presence of both diseases. African and U.S. government participants will discuss some of the key policy and implementation challenges for both diseases in the African environment.

Format: Following 60 minutes of presentations by four prominent African and American speakers, there will be 30 minutes for group discussion. Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director, White House Officer of National AIDS Policy, will moderate. Speakers include two African government officials and senior representatives from the World Bank and Harvard University.

“Economic Costs and Control of HIV/AIDS in Africa”

GOALS:

- Convey to the audience the scale and significance (including costs) of the HIV/AIDS pandemic for African countries—on economic, social, and political levels.
- Highlight successful African responses, international initiatives, and possible approaches for reducing the transmission and impact of HIV/AIDS.
- Discuss immediate actions to increase political commitment and resource mobilization for HIV/AIDS in Africa.

PARTICIPANTS:

Moderator: Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director, White House Office of National AIDS Policy

Speakers: Dr. Nkanda Luo, Minister from Zambia

Dr. Debrework Zewdie, HIV/AIDS Coordinator, World Bank

FORMAT:

- Ms Sandy Thurman will introduce the workshop and give remarks about USG efforts to help stem HIV/AIDS. (10 minutes)
- Dr. Nkanda Luo will present information on the economic and social impact of HIV/AIDS. (10 minutes)
- Dr. Debrework Zewdie will succinctly discuss what governments can do in response to the epidemic. (10 minutes)

Time allocations (total workshop time is 90 minutes):

Moderator remarks: 10 minutes

Presentations: 20 minutes

Discussions: 60 minutes

AUDIENCE:

Ministers of Finance, Trade, and Foreign Affairs

Resource Persons: USG agency representatives: White House, USAID, HHS Office of the Secretary, CDC, and NIH; World Bank and UNAIDS representatives; Dr. Peter Lamptey, Family Health International, Ms. Eka Williams, Society for Women and AIDS in Africa.

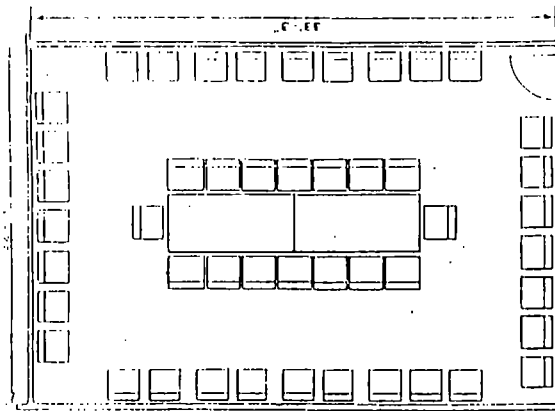
Workshop Coordinator: Alex Ross, USAID, AFR/SD Tel: 202-219-0476, Fax 202-219-0507

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J. Brian Atwood, Administrator
Harriet C. Babbitt, Deputy Administrator
Vivian Lowery Derryck, Assistant Administrator, Africa Bureau
Valerie Dickson-Horton, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Africa Bureau
Keith Brown, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Africa Bureau
Verne Newton, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Africa Bureau

Panel Discussion, Economic Partnership, Day 1 AM

USAID:

Vivian Lowery Derryck (Delegate)
Valerie Dickson-Horton (Delegate)
Jerry Wolgin
Richard Greene
Sharon Pauling (b)(6)
Nisha Desai (Atwood's Special Assistant)

USTR Roundtable on Multilateral Trading System, Day 1 PM

USAID:

David Dod (b)(6) has State ID)
Richard Greene

State Roundtable on Democracy and Human Rights, Day 1 PM

USAID:

Donald Muncy (b)(6) has State ID)
Vivian Lowery Derryck
Valerie Dickson-Horton
Sharon Pauling

Treasury Workshop on Mobilizing Finance, Day 1 PM

USAID:

David Dod

USDA Workshop on Agribusiness, Day 1 PM

USAID:

David Atwood
Arthur Westneat (b)(6) does not have State badge)

State Workshop on Regional Markets and Global Competitiveness, Day 1 PM

USAID:

Valerie Dickson-Horton
Richard Greene

Infrastructure Panel, Day 2, 9AM

USAID:

Valerie Dickson-Horton or William Jeffers
Jim Dempsey
Kate McKee
Kimanthi Mutua, KREP, Kenya
David Andah, Bank of Ghana

Microenterprise Workshop, Day 2, 11AM

USAID:

Robert Young (b)(6) has State ID)
Jim Dempsey (b)(6)
Katharine McKee (SS (b)(6)
Elizabeth Valenzuela (b)(6)

Non-USAID

Sam Daley Harris, RESULTS
John Hatch, FINCA
Kimanthi Mutua, KREP, Kenya
David Andah, Bank of Ghana
Jenifer Isern, C-GAP
Nathaniel Fields, ADF
Courtland Cox, Commerce

State Workshop on Governance, Africa, and the Global Economy, Day 2, 11AM

USAID:

Donald Muncy
Gerald Hyman, G/DG (b)(6) has State ID) or Jennifer Windsor

State Workshop on Conflict Resolution, Day 2, 11AM

USAID:

Ajit Joshi (b)(6) does not have State ID)
John Flynn (b)(6) has State ID)
Sharon Pauling (b)(6)

Energy, the Economy, and the Environment, Day 2, 3PM

USAID:

David Hales, DAA, G/ENV
Jerome Wolgin
Franklin Moore, G/ENV

Info Technology and Telecommunications Workshop, Day 2, 4:30PM

USAID:

Lane Smith
David Dod, rapporteur
Jonathan Metzger

Non-USAID:

William KENNARD

Paul BERMINGHAM

Roxanne McELVANE

Reine BONI

(b)(6)

M. Kathryn TOURE

(b)(6)

Andrea MALETER

(b)(6)

Dr. Raymond U. AKWULE

(b)(6)

Dr. Ernest WILSON, III

(b)(6)

Geoffrey CHAPMAN
State Department Employee

Cornelia WEIERBACH
State Department Employee

HIV/AIDS Workshop, Day 2, 4:30PM

USAID:

Hope Sukin ((b)(6) has State ID)
Paul Delay, G/PHN

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Ishrat Husain (
Alex Ross

(b)(6)

Education Workshop, Day 2, 4:30PM

USAID:

Robert Young
Julie Owen-Rea
Sharon Pauling

Non-USAID:

Dzingai B. Mutumbuka, World Bank, previous Min. of Fin, Zimbabwe

GSP Program and Market Access Workshop, Day 2, 4:30PM

USAID:

Arthur Westneat

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African Development Bank	✓	—		Enweze	Vice-President	
Algeria	—	—				
Angola	✓	✓	Joaquim	David	Min. of Finance	2/15/99. LUANDA 57
Benin	—	—				
Botswana	✓	—	George	Kgoroba	Min. Commerce and Industry	
Botswana	✓	—	Robert	Sebego	Min. Agriculture	
Botswana	✓	—	Quill	Hermans	Gov. Central Bank	
Burkina Faso	✓	✓	M. Bruno	Zidouemba	Ambassador to U.S.	2/23/99. OUAGADO
Burkina Faso	✓	✓	M. Youssouf	Ouedraogo	Min. of State, Foreign Affairs	2/23/99. OUAGADO
Burkina Faso	✓	✓	M. Idrissa	Zampaligre	Min. of Commerce, Industry and Handicrafts	2/23/99. OUAGADO
Burkina Faso	✓	✓	M. Tertius	Zongo	Min. of Economics & Finance	2/23/99. OUAGADO
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Cameroon	✓	✓	Roger	Melingui	Min. Delegate at Economy and Finance	
Cameroon	✓	✓	Joseph Tsanga	Abanda	Minister of Transport	
Cameroon	✓	✓	Augustin Kontchou	Kouomegni	Min. of State for External Relations	
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Cote d'Ivoire	✓	—	Niamien	N'goran	Min. of Finance	2/16/99. ABIJAN 1056
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Equatorial Guinea	—	—	Miguel Oyono	Ndong	Vice Prime Minister of External Relations	
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Ethiopia	✓	—	Ayele	Kassahun	Min. Trade	
Gabon	✓	—	Emile	Doumba	Min. of Energy	
Gabon	✓	—	Pascaline	Bongo	The President's Chief of Cabinet	2/5/99. LIBREVILLE
Gabon	✓	—	Jean	Ping	Min. of Foreign Affairs	
Gabon	✓	—	Paul	Toungui	Min. of Energy	
Gambia	✓	✓	M.L. Sedat	Jobe	Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs	2/26/99. BANJUL 362
Gambia	✓	✓	Crispin	Grey-Johnson	Ambassador	2/26/99. BANJUL 362
Gambia	✓	—		Jammeh	President	2/24/99. Email
Ghana	—	—				
Guinea-Bissau	—	—				
IGAD	✓	—	Mrs. Hadya N.	Gava	Director, Division of Economic Cooperation	2/25/99. DJIBOUTI
IGAD	✓	—	Dr. Tekeste	Ghebray	Executive Director of IGAD	2/25/99. DJIBOUTI
IGAD	✓	—	Professor Benson E.	Mochoke	Director, Division of Agriculture & Environment	2/25/99. DJIBOUTI
IGAD	✓	—	Mrs. Atsed	Zerfu	Chief	2/25/99. DJIBOUTI
Kenya	✓	—				
Lesotho	—	—				
Liberia	✓	—	Monie	Captan	Foreign Minister	2/25/99. MONROVIA

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Madagascar	✓	✓	Alphonse	Randrianambinin	Min of Commerce	2/17/99. ANTANARI
Malawi	✓	—	W.	Chokani	Ambassador	
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Malawi	✓	—	Hary	Monoga	Dir. International Relations	
Malawi	✓	—	Watipaso	Mkandawire	General Manager Investment Promotion	
Malawi	✓	—	P.C.	Kamwendo	Dept.Chief Economist	1/29/99. LILONGWE
Malawi	✓	—	Matembo	Mzunda. Phd	Min. Commerce and Industry	
Mali	✓	✓	Modibo	Sidibe	Min. of Foreign Affairs	2/18/99. BAMAKO 88
Mauritania	✓	—				2/13/99. NOUAKCHO
Mauritius	✓	—				
Morocco	—	—				
Mozambique	✓	—	Oldemiro	Baloi	Min. of Industry, Commerce and Tourism	2/11/99. MAPUTO. 63
Namibia	✓	—	Nangolo	Mbumba	Min. of Finance	
Namibia	✓	—	Theo-Ben	Gurirab	Min. of Foreign Affairs	
Namibia	✓	✓	Hidipo	Hamutenya	Min. of Trade and Industry	2/18/99. WINDHOEK
Niger	✓	✓	Idé	Gnadou	Min. of Finance, Economic Reform. and P	2/25/99. NIAMEY 652
Niger	✓	✓	Ibrahim	Koussou	Min. of Commerce & Industry	2/25/99. NIAMEY 652
Niger	✓	✓	Maman	Sidikou	Foreign Minister	2/24/99. NIAMEY 652
Nigeria	✓	—				2/24/99. ABUJA 113
OAU	✓	—	Dr. R. Omatayo	Olaniyan	Senior Economist (NY office)	ADDIS ABABA 1388
OAU	✓	—	Amadou	Kebe	Executive Secretary (NY office)	ADDIS ABABA 1388
OAU	✓	—	Mr. Frederick	Alipui	Head of Trade, Tourism, Customs Money	ADDIS ABABA 1388
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Rwanda	✓	✓	Ambassador Gideon	Kayinamura	Secretary General, Min. of Commerce. In	2/22/99. KIGALI 878
Rwanda	✓	✓	Patrick	Mazimhaka	Min. in the office of the President	2/22/99. KIGALI 878
Rwanda	✓	✓	Donald	Kaberuka	Min. of Finance and Economic Planning	2/22/99. KIGALI 878
Rwanda	✓	✓	Mark	Rugenera	Min. of Commerce, Industry and Tourism	2/22/99. KIGALI 878
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Seychelles	✓	✓	Ambassador Claude	Morel	U.N. Permanent Representative	2/4/99. PORT LOUIS
Sierra Leone	—	—				
South Africa	✓	—				1/29/99. PRETORIA 1
Swaziland	✓	—	Jakaya M.	Kikwete	Min. of Foreign Affairs	2/22/99. MBABANE 42
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Uganda	✓	—				1/29/99. KAMPALA 3
Zambia	✓	—				1/23/99. LUSAKA 116
Zimbabwe	✓	—				2/18/99. HARARE 105

"Realizing the Potential of the African Microenterprise Sector"

GOALS:

- To develop an appreciation of the scale and significance of the microenterprise sector in Africa, including the sector's impact on economic growth, employment generation and poverty alleviation.
- Discuss some of the lessons learned for encouraging the expansion of microenterprise development and in particular the best practices for microfinance institutions to support the sector. Institutions that provide sustainable microfinance include NGOs, local banks (some in partnership with NGOs), credit unions and cooperatives.
- Identify the mix of government policies and regulations necessary for microfinance institutions. The mix must ensure that microfinance institutions have adequate freedom to operate while government supervision and regulation are appropriately applied to ensure public confidence and safety.

PARTICIPANTS:

Moderator: Michael Barr, Director Office of Community Development ,US Treasury
Speakers: Harriet C. Babbitt, Deputy Administrator, USAID
Kimanthi Mutua, Director K-REP, Kenyan NGO
Dr. David Andah, Bank of Ghana

FORMAT:

- Ambassador Babbitt will address the significance of microenterprise in Africa and USAID's worldwide experience with microfinance projects;
- Mr. Mutua will discuss best practices and the building of viable microfinance institutions in Africa;
- Dr. Andah discuss applying supervisory and regulatory principles in the microfinance sector.

Time allocations:

Opening Remarks by Mike Barr: 2 minutes

Ambassador Babbitt : 10 minutes

Mr. Mutua: 10 minutes

Dr. Andah: 10 minutes

Discussion: 55 minutes

Closing remarks/summation by moderator: 3 minutes

AUDIENCE:

Target audience: Finance ministers and central bankers.

Key resource people: Representatives from the African Development Foundation, USAID, Peace Corps and Small Business Administration; John Hatch of FINCA and Sam Daley Harris of RESULTS.

USAID Coordinator: Kate McKee/Jim Dempsey (712-0030)

“Telecommunications, Information Technology and the New Economy”

GOALS:

- Convey to participants the pace and dimensions of the information revolution and its potential impacts on trade and economic growth and explore the major challenges and opportunities that the new technologies present.
- Build greater understanding about the positive economic impacts of liberalizing and privatizing the telecommunications sector, dispel myths about negative impacts, and examine selected approaches for promoting competition and overcoming historical problems of distance and access to foreign markets.
- Identify the critical next steps that the U.S./Africa Partnership can take to ensure the extension of the benefits of the new information technologies to all of Africa's people.

PARTICIPANTS:

Moderator: William Kennard, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission

Speakers: Paul Bermingham – World Bank Senior Economist and expert on key issues of competition and privatization of the telecom and internet sector in Africa.
Vice Minister Antonio Fernando, Vice Minister, Ministry of Transport and Communication, Republic of Mozambique (Proposed)

FORMAT:

- Chairman Kennard will welcome participants and describe the policy challenges presented by the rapidly evolving information and communication technologies, and the principles underlying the USG approaches to regulation during such a turbulent period.
- Paul Bermingham will describe his recent findings on the effects of liberalization and privatization in the telcom sector, and dispel the notion that such policy reforms lead to layoffs at the phone company and/or reduced government revenue flows.
- Vice Minister Antonio Fernando will describe the progressive policy approaches being undertaken in Mozambique to promote competition and expand private-sector led services to traditionally underserved populations.

Time allocations:

Introductions and remarks by moderator: 10 minutes

Presentations of invited speakers (2 x 10 minutes): 20 minutes

Questions and debate: 55 minutes

Wrap-up: 5 minutes

AUDIENCE:

Finance and Trade Ministers

Key Resource Persons: Professor Ernest Wilson III., Director, Center for International Development and Conflict Management, University of Maryland, expert on information technologies and inequality. Reine Boni, West Africa Regional Director, "Women in Leadership and Technology" Program, Winrock International.

Workshop Coordinator: Lane Smith, USAID/AFR/SD (712-0826)

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“ HUMAN CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT – THE INVESTMENT THAT PAYS “

GOALS:

- Examine the systemic changes required for building basic literacy and numeracy for workforce development in Africa.
- Take stock of recent U.S./Africa partnerships in support of life-long learning and workforce development
- Identify U.S. corporate examples and additional concrete steps that can enable the development of competitive workforces.

PARTICIPANTS:

Moderator: Vivian Lowery Derryck, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, USAID

Speakers: Dr. Aklilu Habte, former Chancellor, University of Addis Ababa, and World Bank and UNICEF senior official.
Dr. William Bertrand, member of Tulane University faculty, key player in several professional partnerships between U.S. and African universities.
Kwesi Botchewey, Former Minister of Education for Ghana, currently HIID fellow

FORMAT:

- Assistant Administrator Vivian Lowery Derryck will open the session with an overview of USG support for African efforts, both public and private, to enhance the quality and access to education. She will include elements of the Education for Democracy and Development Initiative. (6 minutes)
- Dr. Habte will provide a summary of the systemic changes that have been made in Africa over past decade to build basic literacy and numeracy. He will also highlight future challenges (8 minutes).
- Dr. Bertrand will discuss recent U.S. / African partnerships for workforce development and the impact of globalization. (8 minutes).
- Kwesi Botchewey will discuss Ghana's experiences with prioritizing human resource development in its national strategy and the resulting impact on workforce development and poverty alleviation. (8 minutes)

Time Allocations:

Moderator and Presentations: 30

Discussion: 60 minutes

AUDIENCE:

Target Audience: Finance ministers and central bankers.

Resource People: These will include a World Bank colleague who is an ex-Minister of Basic Education from Senegal, a senior member of Peace Corps, two NGO representatives working on basic education and skills training in Africa, a representative from the Leland project, and two members of the Africa Bureau's basic education team

Workshop Coordinator: Julie Owen-Rea, USAID/AFR/SD, ph. 712-0638, fax. 216-3373

“Economic Costs and Control of HIV/AIDS in Africa”

GOALS:

- Convey to the audience the scale and significance (including costs) of the HIV/AIDS pandemic for African countries—on economic, social, and political levels.
- Highlight successful African responses, international initiatives, and possible approaches for reducing the transmission and impact of HIV/AIDS.
- Discuss immediate actions to increase political commitment and resource mobilization for HIV/AIDS in Africa.

PARTICIPANTS:

Moderator: Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director, White House Office of National AIDS Policy
Speakers: Dr. Nkanda Luo, Minister from Zambia
Dr. Debrework Zewdie, HIV/AIDS Coordinator, World Bank

FORMAT:

- Ms Sandy Thurman will introduce the workshop and give remarks about USG efforts to help stem HIV/AIDS. (10 minutes)
- Dr. Nkanda Luo will present information on the economic and social impact of HIV/AIDS. (10 minutes)
- Dr. Debrework Zewdie will succinctly discuss what governments can do in response to the epidemic. (10 minutes)

Time allocations (total workshop time is 90 minutes):

Moderator remarks: 10 minutes

Presentations: 20 minutes

Discussions: 60 minutes

AUDIENCE:

Ministers of Finance, Trade, and Foreign Affairs

Resource Persons: USG agency representatives: White House, USAID, HHS Office of the Secretary, CDC, and NIH; World Bank and UNAIDS representatives; Dr. Peter Lamptey, Family Health International, Ms. Eka Williams, Society for Women and AIDS in Africa.

Workshop Coordinator: Alex Ross, USAID, AFR/SD Tel: 202-219-0476, Fax 202-219-0507

U.S.-Africa Ministerial: Partnership for the 21st Century
March 16 – 18, 1999

PROVISIONAL AGENDA/SYNOPSIS
(Topics and Participants)

INTRODUCTION

The concept of a new U.S.-Africa partnership was a central theme of the President's visit to six African countries in March 1998, and it characterizes both the initiatives that emerged from that trip and the new type of relationship that the Administration seeks to establish with African countries.

The U.S.-Africa Ministerial is an unprecedented opportunity for U.S. and African officials to assess the current status of our partnership and to identify ways to enhance the partnership in the future. A successful dialogue could shape the long-term agenda for that partnership by fostering a convergence of views on the approaches we take together to expand our political and economic ties. The outcome of the discussion may shape the development of new initiatives in the future.

The proposed agenda focuses on how the U.S. and African countries can work together on the range of issues that affect African countries' efforts to become more fully integrated into the global economy and the community of nations. Substantive discussion will address growth and development issues (including trade and investment, economic reform and financing development, and human capital development) as well as political and foreign policy issues (democracy and governance, human rights, and conflict resolution).

The format combines plenary sessions, panel and roundtable discussions, and workshops. Dialogue would begin with plenary sessions to assess where we are with the U.S.-Africa partnership. Discussions would continue in a series of roundtable meetings and panel discussions between African ministers and individual U.S. cabinet members. The purpose of these sessions is to identify possible directions and goals for the U.S.-Africa partnership over the next decade. A series of workshops on more narrowly defined issues will seek to elaborate shared priorities on how to move the U.S.-Africa partnership forward.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

OPENING PLENARY (9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)

The opening session will set the tone for subsequent sessions and outline U.S. and African goals for the Ministerial. U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright will remark briefly on U.S. foreign policy priorities with Africa, describe what we hope to achieve with the Ministerial, and introduce the President. A prominent African official will be invited to respond. President Clinton will address the conference. This session will be open to the press.

PANEL DISCUSSION: THE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP (10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

The session will outline for discussion U.S. economic/commercial policy for Africa, particularly as embodied in the President's Partnership for Economic Growth and Opportunity in Africa. It

will place economic issues in the context of the overall partnership that we hope to develop in the years ahead. A prominent African economic official will initiate discussion by describing the transformation in African economic policies over the last decade and providing insight into Africa's economic expectations of the developed world, particularly the United States. Ambassador Barshefsky will introduce the U.S. perspective by reviewing the genesis of the President's initiative, its analytical underpinnings, and its relation to the African Growth and Opportunity Act. Secretary Daley will then give a general overview of the initiative, including USG actions to support trade with and investment in Africa. USAID Administrator Atwood will describe how the U.S. approach on assistance to Africa supports an initiative that emphasizes increased trade and investment. Secretary Slater will set the stage for discussion of the Partnership in the years to come by relating how the USG has expanded its engagement since the Partnership was announced in 1997 and will then open the proceedings to questions and comments. The President's chief economic advisor at the White House, Gene Sperling, will moderate the ensuing dialogue, with an emphasis on where we go from here.

Format: Two-hour panel of the whole. The five presenters will speak for the first hour and then open the floor to discussion. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Susan Rice and Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Daniel Zelikow will be available for comment, if needed, but will not make presentations. No other events are on the program for this time period.

Moderator: Director of the National Economic Council Gene Sperling.

Presenters: A prominent African economic official
U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky,
Secretary of Commerce William Daley
USAID Administrator Brian Atwood
Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater

BUSINESS NETWORKING LUNCH (12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Representatives of the U.S. private sector will be invited to a luncheon with African delegates and U.S. officials. U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman has been invited as the keynote speaker. Sectors to be represented include agribusiness, construction/infrastructure, energy/power, financial services, information technology/telecommunications, petroleum, and transportation.

CONCURRENT ROUNDTABLES (2:00 p.m – 3:30 p.m.)

USTR Roundtable:

U.S.-Africa Cooperation in the Multilateral Trading System: Challenges and Opportunities

This event represents the first time that a U.S. Trade Representative will meet with African Trade Ministers to discuss a series of WTO and other pertinent trade issues. The trading partnership with sub-Saharan Africa will be the topic of discussion. A discussion of the benefits associated with increased African participation in the multilateral trading system will help inform U.S. officials as to African concerns over the benefits of WTO agreements to the region's economies. The Roundtable also will underscore USG efforts to institutionalize a dialogue with

Africans on the importance of continued trade and investment liberalization, intellectual property rights protection, regional integration in sub-Saharan Africa, and the promotion of internationally recognized core labor standards. Additional topics for discussion include the status of the Food Aid Convention and the outcome of the final negotiations on the Biosafety Protocol. Ambassador Barshefsky and the USDA delegate will stress common U.S.-African interests and engage the participants in a broad-based discussion of these issues.

Format: A Roundtable format, with short presentations, followed by questions and an interactive dialogue.

Presenters: The event will be co-chaired by Ambassador Charlene Barshefsky and a high level African Trade Official. A high level USDA official will complement the roundtable discussion.

Audience/Participants: The roundtable will target 25 to 30 Trade Ministers. The event may also attract several Finance Ministers.

State Department Roundtable:

Democracy, Human Rights and the U.S.-Africa Partnership

This session will address Africa's practical imperative of democratic reform and respect for human rights as the region seeks to achieve prosperity, stability, and social development. The fundamental principles of democracy are universal, yet reform must be based on African realities and informed by African perspectives. The valuable role African civil society plays as an integral part of the reform process also will be examined. This session will assess current U.S.-African cooperation in promoting democracy and respect for human and workers' rights, and will collectively seek to identify concrete steps the U.S. and African countries can take together to consolidate and further promote democratic reform.

Format: Opening comments by co-moderators followed by open roundtable discussion.

Presenters: Secretary Albright, an African Foreign Minister (TBD).

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS (4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.)

Treasury Department Workshop: Mobilizing Finance Workshop

This workshop is intended to examine the record of external finance to African countries, both official and private, and also to look at current issues of external debt. We will invite participating Ministers to discuss their own country experiences -- with external official-bilateral and multilateral financing as well as with private investors and lenders. We will solicit views on a full range of variables which affect the flow of external finance. Discussion will address those variables which can be influenced by African governments, as well as those which cannot -- and scope for action in response by the international community. In addition, we will solicit views on the extent to which external finance follows only the highest-return projects, often in the extractive industries. Our goal is to learn further how to attract necessary finance to African countries, with higher economic returns. We want to identify and hopefully apply ideas which can help dismantle financing barriers -- on both sides of the equation.

Format: Discussion Panel, with brief opening remarks by the moderator, followed by 5 - 10 minute presentations by three panelists. The remainder of the 90-minute session will be devoted to discussion among all participants.

Moderator and Panel Members: Daniel M. Zelikow, Treasury Department Deputy Assistant Secretary for Asia, the Americas and Africa will moderate. Panel members will include an African Finance Minister, a Senior Officer of a US based-international investment firm, and a highly regarded academic/public policy official.

USDA Workshop: Building an Agribusiness Partnership – Identifying the Opportunities
The Workshop will provide an opportunity for a dialogue with African Trade Ministers about the potential benefits of expanded agribusiness partnerships between the U.S. and Africa. The discussion will seek to identify prospects for mutually beneficial agribusiness partnerships in commercial trade, agricultural technology transfer, and between African and American farmers. Participants will discuss the benefits of sound agricultural policies and practices as well as how to construct a viable agribusiness infrastructure, issues that are critical to long-term economic growth and prosperity. U.S. officials will elaborate on existing U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Commerce programs in order to enable discussion on how African agribusinesses might benefit from these programs in the future. Finally, participants will discuss various areas of potential technical assistance that the U.S. Government can provide to African Governments in the area of agribusiness development.

Format: Opening remarks by U.S. officials on U.S. programs, followed by discussion; an open dialogue on the development of agribusiness partnerships. Senior officials of one U.S. agribusiness and one African agribusiness will attend to provide private sector perspectives during the open dialogue.

Presenters: U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman and other officials of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Commerce; a senior African official.
Moderator: James Schroeder, Deputy Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Good Governance, Africa and the Global Economy

The Workshop will provide an opportunity to discuss with African foreign and finance ministers the importance of good governance in fostering Africa's integration with the global economy. Initial presentations will highlight African efforts to modernize economic structures and to provide a sound environment for private sector activities and development. Discussion will assess ongoing efforts to battle corrupt practices at the national and regional level and focus on the current status of efforts to agree to a common vision in this key area. The workshop will take stock of recent key events on governance and anti-corruption issues and discuss next steps to move forward. A representative of the Global Coalition for Africa will highlight work by member countries to develop anti-corruption principles. Panelists also will stress the importance of the private sector, labor, and civil society in debating public policy options, including the benefits of enhancing transparency and accountability in a country's reform process. Discussion will focus on measures countries might take to enhance private sector and civil society roles in participatory governance; ways in which investors assess government credibility; and how to

create an atmosphere of openness whereby the interests of both investors and civil society at large are protected.

Format: Discussion Panel, with opening remarks by Moderator, followed by ten-minute presentations by invited panelists.

Moderator: Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business and Agricultural Affairs
Stuart M. Eizenstat

Panelists: An African Finance Minister
A representative of the Global Coalition for Africa

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

Building Infrastructure For Business Partnerships (9:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)

The panel will focus on the important role of an efficient and modern infrastructure to expanded trade opportunities. The ability of the business and physical infrastructure system to efficiently handle the movement of capital, people and goods is critical to maximize regional economic productivity for the countries of Africa to successfully integrate in the ever-changing global marketplace. Participants will discuss how to finance, construct, and maintain a modern and efficient infrastructure. U.S. Trade agencies heads will give overviews of the role that they can and are playing in increasing trade between the U.S. and Africa. In addition, participants will discuss successful efforts in addressing infrastructure problems. Joining U.S. government agencies on the panel will be representatives from the U.S. and African private sectors.

Format: Two-hour panel of the whole. Discussion panel, with opening remarks by the Moderator followed by ten-minute presentations by invited panelists.

Moderator: The Secretary of Transportation will moderate the panel.

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS (11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.)

Workshop On Realizing The Potential Of The African Microenterprise Sector

This workshop will highlight the role of microenterprises in providing economic opportunities and stability, especially for the poor. The workshop will discuss the recent evolution of microfinance credit institutions in Africa. Participants will share the best approaches in the region to reduce lender administrative costs as well as risk - particularly, using group techniques to avert delinquency problems. Panelists will discuss approaches for microcredit institutions to transform themselves into banks and other regulated entities that offer a fuller range of financial services. The participants will collectively identify the mix of policies needed to ensure that microenterprises and their support institutions have adequate freedom to operate, while government supervisory and regulatory principles are appropriately applied to ensure confidence and safety of microfinance institutions.

Format: The format is a one and a half-hour session, with 30 minutes for presentations followed by 60 minutes for questions and discussion. The speakers include Harriet C. Babbitt, Deputy

Administrator, USAID, a prominent African government official and a senior NGO representative. The moderator will be Mike Barr, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Treasury.

Regional Integration Workshop

This workshop is an opportunity for Africa-led dialogue on the problems and prospects of regional integration efforts being undertaken by the various regional organizations in Africa. A U.S. official will open with remarks on the importance of regional markets as attractors for U.S. trade and investment. The head of a regional organizations will then comment on specific success stories of areas where greater cooperation and U.S. expertise may be of benefit. Emphasis will be on a free-flowing dialogue on overcoming obstacles to greater integration, rather than a mere recitation of each organization's accomplishments.

Format: Brief presentations by a senior U.S. State Department official and the heads of one subregional organization, followed by discussion among all participants.

Peace for Prosperity -- Conflict Resolution in Africa:

This session will seek to highlight the importance of U.S.-African cooperation in the area of conflict resolution. Violent conflict imposes immense human costs and represents the greatest impediment to African growth and reform efforts. Participants will share their perspectives on the most effective U.S. role in resolving current conflicts as well as their perceptions about their own role in resolving violent conflict in neighboring countries, their region, and throughout sub-Saharan Africa. The contribution to conflict resolution made by civil society and the possibility of increased support for indigenous peace-building organizations will also be examined. Improving U.S.-Africa support for current initiatives and institutions will be a primary focus of discussions as participants explore ways to strengthen this critical element within the growing partnership.

Format: Opening comments by co-moderators followed by seventy minutes of participant discussion. It is hoped that all foreign ministers will participate.

Moderators: Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Susan E. Rice
A senior African official (TBD)

Accessing Trade and Project Finance

This session will discuss the next steps for U.S. and African project sponsors working to take their projects from the development stage to the implementation stage through a variety of financial tools. The roundtable will be led by U.S. government officials from the trade and investment promotion agencies. These officials will be joined by others from African financial institutions. The goal of the workshop is to identify funding sources for the participating U.S. companies and African project sponsors, and to present collaborative opportunities for U.S. and African trade finance and investment institutions.

Format: Workshop with comments by each institution followed by open discussion by interested Ministers and U.S. business community.

Participants: Overseas Private Investment Corporation's Regional Manager for Africa, Sam Smoots; the Export-Import Bank of the United States' Counselor for Africa, Annmarie Emmet; and the U.S. Trade and Development Agency's Regional Director for Africa and the Middle East, John Richter, will be joined by the heads of several African financial institutions.

LUNCHEON (1:00 – 2:30 p.m.)

Secretary of Labor's Keynote Address at Luncheon

The Secretary of Labor's address, "Investing in Human Resources" will focus on the impact of core labor standards on the development of a civil society, good governance practices, and economic development in Africa. The Secretary will emphasize the role of the International Labor Organization in the global economy and the need for strong institutions that can implement standards, develop social safety net programs, and promote active labor market measures that help facilitate sustainable economic development. The Secretary will also discuss why the development of social safety net policies and programs for workers will help create a more stable economic environment and encourage foreign and domestic investment.

Format: The Secretary will be introduced by a senior Department of Labor official. The Secretary's address will last approximately 20 minutes and will include discussion, time permitting.

Department of Energy Panel Discussion:

Energy, the Economy, and Environment (3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)

The objective of this session is to look at the role of the energy sector in the economic development of the region and with respect to its impact on the region's environment. In particular, the panel will focus on the economic benefits of implementing market-based energy policies, creating regional power markets, and enhancing cooperation with respect to climate change. The increasing energy demand and pressure for economic growth in many African countries, combined with limited indigenous energy sources in some countries and greater awareness of environmental issues, the need to diversify energy sources, and the need to recognize the true economic costs of various energy technologies all point to the urgency of expanded international cooperation. Discussion will focus on strategies for joint action in these areas.

Format: One and one-quarter hour panel, which will include a 10-minute opening address from Secretary Richardson, a 10-minute regional overview from an African Energy Minister, a 50-minute questions and answers from African and USG representatives, and then a 5-minute closing remarks from Secretary Richardson.

Moderator: Energy Secretary Richardson will moderate the panel.

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS (3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

Workshop on "Telecommunications, Information and the New Economy"

African and USG officials will explore the major challenges and opportunities that the Information Revolution and associated new technologies present. Participants will examine

paths taken by U.S. and African countries to promote competition, employ low-cost communication technologies and overcome historical problems of distance and access to foreign markets. A senior World Bank expert will discuss the positive economic impacts of liberalizing and privatizing the telecommunications sector and the purported negative impact. Participants will identify policies and other steps countries can take to ensure further and rapid development of Africa's telecommunications infrastructure.

Format: Following 30 minutes of presentations, participants will relate and discuss recent experiences with telecom growth and regulatory policies in Africa. The session will be moderated by William Kennard, Chairman of the U.S. Federal Communications Commission. Speakers will include prominent officials from Africa and the World Bank.

Workshop on "Economic Costs and Control of HIV/AIDS in Africa"

This workshop will highlight the significant economic and social impacts of HIV/AIDS on Africans and the recent significant successes in preventing and mitigating this disease. Panelists will present the economic costs and projected dimensions of the HIV/AIDS pandemic. Prominent Africans will present selected successful African responses to mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS. The discussion also will address the potential of donor assistance and new international initiatives, such as the Partnership Against AIDS in Africa and the World Bank's intensified response to AIDS, to make a significant impact on reducing the presence of HIV/AIDS. Participants will discuss immediate actions to increase political commitment and resource mobilization to slow the spread of HIV/AIDS in Africa.

Format: Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director, White House Officer of National AIDS Policy, will moderate. Speakers include an African government official and a senior representative from the World Bank. Following 30 minutes of presentations, there will be 60 minutes for group discussion.

Workshop: "Human Capacity Development - The Investment That Pays"

Participants in this session will discuss African and U.S. strategies to dramatically scale up human capacity development efforts, in order to produce competitive workforces for the Twenty-First Century. Presentations will highlight recent reforms that have been implemented in Africa to improve the quality and access to basic education and will outline elements of the President's Education Initiative. Participants will examine the dynamics of building basic literacy and numeracy and identify the implications of globalization on workforce development. Finally, participants will identify concrete actions countries might take to enhance life-long learning, workforce development and effective strategic alliances.

Format: The moderator for this session is Vivian Lowery Derryck, USAID Assistant Administrator for Africa. The one hour and 30 minute session will allow 30 minutes for presentations by three prominent speakers, including an African government official and senior representatives from an African and an American university, followed by 60 minutes for group discussion.

USTR Workshop: The Generalized System of Preference Program (GSP) and U.S. Market Access Requirements

The workshop will address the immediate need for increased information among African trade officials on the GSP program and U.S. market access requirements. USTR will use this occasion to distribute its new GSP manual to participating African Ministers. The workshop will also aim to cover the wide range of health, customs, labor and other regulatory standards and procedures that African exporters need to be aware of in order to be commercially viable exporters to the U.S. market. U.S. policy regarding access for goods and services will be highlighted. USDA will discuss its technical assistance programs in Africa, and specifically its SPS seminars to be offered in Africa the week of May 10.

Format: A panel will present the information followed by discussion.

Presenters: Rosa Whitaker, USTR, Jon Rosenbaum, USTR, Cheryl French (TBD)
USDA/APHIS Myles Harmon (TBD) Customs – International Agreements Staff Director, U.S. Importer of African Goods .

Audience/Participants: The roundtable will target 25 to 30 Trade Ministers. The event may also attract several Finance Ministers.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

Briefings on Capitol Hill (9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)

The Administration is working with the Legislative Branch to arrange meetings between African delegates and Members of Congress from both the House of Representatives and the Senate, to discuss the future of the U.S.-Africa Partnership. Sponsors of the proposed African Growth and Opportunity Act will be invited to brief African delegates on the status of that legislation.

Format: To be determined, but may include a briefing and a press event.

Closing Plenary (12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

The final session provides an opportunity to synthesize the results of the Ministerial and directions for the future of the U.S.-Africa partnership. U.S. Cabinet Secretaries will sum up outcomes of Ministerial sessions. Senior African officials will provide their perspectives. This session will be open to the press.

Format: A one-hour session of the whole, addressed by U.S. and African officials to be determined. Possible speakers include Secretary of Agriculture Glickman, Secretary of Transportation Slater, U.S. Trade Representative Barshefsky, and senior African officials to be determined.

U.S. –AFRICA MINISTERIAL: PARTNERSHIP FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

"Realizing the Potential of the African Microenterprise Sector"

Workshop I, Wednesday, March 17, 11:15 AM

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Discussion Questions and Partnership Goals:

Question: Given the lessons learned that show the approaches to microfinance must be market based and commercial in nature, why do microenterprises require special financial institutions to support their operations?

Develop and discuss recognition that there are serious constraints to microenterprises access to financing that require new methods and special attention to microenterprise needs. The lessons learned show that the approaches to microfinance must be market based and commercial in nature. The best practices have identified non-collateral based lending as a key.

Question : What are the successful microfinance institutions in Africa?

Seek to identify successful microfinance experiences in the countries of the participating Ministers, recognizing that much needs to be done before the microfinance institutions have a significant impact on the economy as a whole.

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Discussion Questions and Partnership Goals

Question: How do telecommunications liberalization and the information revolution experienced by numerous countries lead to fast paced economic growth?

- Convey to participants the pace and dimensions of the information revolution and its potential impacts on trade and economic growth and explore the major challenges and opportunities that the new technologies present.

Question: What approaches to liberalizing the telecommunications sector have proven successful and why?

- Build greater understanding about the positive economic impacts of liberalizing and privatizing the telecommunications sector, dispel myths about negative impacts, and examine selected approaches for promoting competition and overcoming historical problems of distance and access to foreign markets.

Question: What steps can the U.S. and African countries take to ensure all members of society can benefit from the Global Information Revolution? And, what additional joint steps can be taken to ensure that the Global Revolution spurs sustainable economic growth in Africa?

- Identify the critical next steps that the U.S./Africa Partnership can take to ensure the extension of the benefits of the new information technologies to all of Africa's people.

Questions for the Moderator of HIV/AIDS Session at the U.S –Africa Ministerial Meeting

Question: What factors inhibit strong commitment of leaders of several African countries to HIV/AIDS prevention and mitigation programs?

- Develop recognition that countries that have succeeded in preventing the epidemic, both in Africa and outside, have strong commitment of the leaders to address the problem. These leaders have spoken out and have helped in reducing the stigma associated with the disease.

Question: What specific actions can be taken on the part of relevant ministries such as finance and planning to mobilize resources- both financial and human- to intensify the programs?

- Discuss the scaling up of the interventions found to be successful in preventing HIV/AIDS and mitigating its impact on a small scale. The financial resources and capacity of the institutions to implement the programs on a large scale are the major constraints. Private and public sector, non-governmental organizations and communities have worked in partnership in countries with successful programs.

Question: What steps can African leaders take to adopt multi-sectoral approaches to HIV/AIDS programs so that all relevant sectors are involved in prevention and mitigation efforts, and how can the U.S. support these efforts?

- Discuss actions that can be taken to implement a multi-sectoral program. HIV/AIDS has serious impact on different sectors. Recognize the implications of HIV/AIDS for different sectors and the role they can play in strengthening the program are important for accelerating program implementation.

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U.S.-Africa Ministerial Partnership for the 21st Century
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Question: What do African leaders see as the central constraints to the expansion and improvement of quality education and training related to workforce needs?

- Since the Jomtien Education for All Declaration in 1990 - which set a world goal of providing access to basic quality education for all children by 2000 - Africa's child population has continued to grow at a faster rate than resources supporting basic education systems. Many countries have not developed the policies and programs to reform their education/training systems to provide relevant knowledge and skills for the majority. Education is still perceived to be a means of selecting an elite rather than to benefit the many. The discussion would not focus on the technical constraints to relevant and quality education so much as the need for formulation of clear policies on linkage to the economy, governance, financing, accountability, and partnerships to achieve effective schooling/training.

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- **KNOWLEDGE & LEARNING AS A FOCUS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA FOR THE 21st CENTURY** Dr. Aklilu Habte, former Chancellor, University of Addis Ababa, and World Bank and UNICEF senior official.
- **NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT: THE CASE OF GHANA** Kwesi Botchwe, Director of Africa Division at Harvard Institute for International Development, former Minister of Finance, Ghana

HUMAN CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT THE INVESTMENT THAT PAYS

OVERVIEW OF US GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR AFRICAN HUMAN CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT Vivian Derryck

- USAID's contribution to Africa over past 30 years - what has lasted?
The education and training of those who have become leaders, and the support to expanding basic education.
- Centrality of knowledge and learning to national development in 21st Century
 - Evidence that economic growth, health, family well-being and the active participation of civic society in development must be based on basic education
 - Workforce development and flexibility in the face of changing technology and markets is central to Africa's prosperity, alleviation of poverty
- USAID focus in Africa is to support national education reforms, specifically to increase the level of literacy, basic skills through basic education. This depends on the development of national policies and sectoral programs with national leadership.

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•KNOWLEDGE - A FOCUS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA in THE 21st CENTURY Dr. Aklilu Habte

- In the 21st Century knowledge will be a more important factor than natural resources or capital for national development. In the past twenty years the experience of Japan, Korea, Singapore and Hong Kong has illustrated the central, strategic importance of stable systems of governance and the power of social knowledge and learning.
- Nations in Africa today continue to face a major challenge in providing for the development of knowledge and learning for the majority of citizens: and this - far more than natural resources - is a requirement for national prosperity in the global economy.
- Experience in Africa - the birth and growth of the Association for the Development of Education in Africa (ADEA) as a professional network of African Ministers and financing partners has championed 1) the need for national leadership in designing and implementing HRC reforms; 2) the partnerships between civil society, the private sector and the education system; and 3) the collaboration and networking of African leadership within the continent.

HUMAN CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT THE INVESTMENT THAT PAYS

NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT: THE CASE OF GHANA Kwesi Botchwe

- With growth in private sector enterprise and trade, as the engine of economic growth, what is the role of the state, and the proper use of public resources? One central role of the state and public funds is to support human resource development. Why is education a priority for public financing?
- Experience of Ghana over the past 10 years. A country that put human resource development at the center of its national strategy. This was articulated in a widely debated policy resulting in Vision 20/20.
 - Ghana restructured its education system
 - It committed up to 40% of discretionary budget to the education sector
 - It lead a large number of financing partners in carrying out public dialogue, analysis and the formulation of an overall sector investment program
- Summary: priority in public sector financing on HRD as key strategy for supporting dynamic private sector growth, engagement in global economy - while also addressing the social imperative of alleviating poverty.

HUMAN CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT THE INVESTMENT THAT PAYS

DISCUSSION ROAD MAP

The dialogue with the Ministers will explore the key constraints and challenges for providing quality education and training. Today in Africa more than 50% of the children of school-going age are not in school; of those who enter the first grade, the majority drop out before completing the primary school cycle, and of those who complete this cycle a high proportion have not achieved functional literacy and the basic skills needed for a changing economic environment. These trends reflect a combination of factors including continued high population growth and insufficient investments in human resource development.

The focus for the discussion will relate to the introductory remarks and ask the Ministers to consider:

- 1) The role of knowledge building within the society, and national policies and strategies that can support this
- 2) How to engage in participatory, democratic processes in formulating HRD policies and programs, and in their implementation
- 3) How to elicit greater levels of domestic and international financing - including private sector and NGO support - for HRD programs?
- 4) The linkage between literacy/skills and economic productivity - the relationship between human capital development (knowledge and skills) and social capital development (networks, reciprocity and democratic governance).
How does this link to culture, traditions and strongly held beliefs?