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At the meetings of the Council for TRIPS in February and May 1996, it was agreed that developed country Members would annually update information on their technical and financial cooperation activities relevant to the implementation of the TRIPS Agreement. At its meeting of 18-22 June 2001, the Council agreed that in 2001 this would be done in time for the Council's meeting scheduled for 19-21 September 2001.

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Communications from other developed country Members will be circulated as addenda to this document.

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| <p align="center">TABLE OF TRAINING PROGRAMMEMES ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (September 2000-August 2001)</p> |
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| Date | Agency | Country | Synopsis |
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| 09.2000 | USCS/HQ IPR CMTE | | USCS IPR Handbook Conference. OI conducted/ participated in IPR Programme and IPR Center Briefing and OI portion of the USCS IPR Handbook. |
| 06.2001 | DOS | Albania | Albanian government officials participated in the 2nd meeting of the South-eastern European Regional Advisory Committee on IPR Enforcement to assist in preparations for the September 2001 regional conference in Croatia. |
| 06.2001 | USPTO, USAID, DOC CLDP | Albania, Bosnia- Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary, Honduras, Israel, Jamaica, Jordan, Republic of Korea, Macedonia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Romania | USPTO Visiting Scholars' Programme. USAID funded. Conducted by DOC CLDP. |
| 06.2001 | DOC CLDP, USAID | Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, Romania | Meetings of the Regional Advisory Committee on IPR Enforcement. Government officials came to Washington. |
| 06.2001 | DOC CLDP, USAID | Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, Romania | Conference on WTO Accession Issues. Held in Budapest. USAID funded. |

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| 11.2000 | USPTO, WIPO | Albania, Bulgaria, Republic of Korea, Nigeria, Paraguay, Egypt, Viet Nam, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Fiji, Gambia, Ghana, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Zambia | USPTO-WIPO Enforcement Programme. |
| 08.2001 | USPTO | Algeria | Group of 4 officials from the IP Office of Algeria will tour the USPTO and will meet with patent examiners and lawyers to discuss software and biotechnology patent protection. |
| 06.2001 | USPTO, DOC CLDP, USAID | Algeria, Albania, Bosnia- Herzegovina, Bulgaria, China, Croatia, Estonia, Guatemala, Hong Kong, China, Jamaica, Jordan, Macedonia, Malaysia, Mexico, Palestine, Romania, Chinese Taipei | USPTO enforcement programme. USAID funded. Conducted by DOC CLDP. |
| 02.2001 | USPTO, DOS | Algeria, Egypt, Palestine, Oman | State International Visitors' Programme and Academy for Educational Development. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Argentina | Independent Inventor's Conference held in Argentina. |

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| 01.2001 | USPTO, DOS | Argentina, Armenia, Bulgaria, Burma, Ecuador, Ghana, India, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Macedonia, Latvia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand, Tunisia, | State Dept IP Visitor's Programme. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Argentina, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Peru, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Jamaica, India, Mexico, Chinese Taipei, Panama, Paraguay, Venezuela, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay | USPTO gave technical assistance at the Symposium of Americas. |
| 12.2000 | USPTO | Armenia | USPTO gave technical assistance during visit by Armenian commissioner. |

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| 01.2001 | DOS | Armenia | IPR Protection Multi-Regional Project. Project designed to promote appreciation for rule of law in global trade and business communities; encourage accountability for implementing higher IP standards in countries and business worldwide; examine impact of technology on IP and major policy challenges posed by the internet and related technologies; familiarize participants with the mechanisms used to promote creative marketing processes and to protect resultant creative products. |
| 04.2001 | USAID | Armenia | WTO expert from Chemonics and local counterpart representatives held roundtable on WTO related legislation issues with participation of 16 participants from host country related organizations. |
| 05.2001 | USAID | Armenia | Roundtable discussion/training for National Assembly (Parliament) Members. |
| 06.2001 | American Chamber of Commerce, USAID | Armenia | American Chamber of Commerce organized 2 conferences on Country Competitiveness in which IPR protection and related legislation was discussed. In both conferences, more than 150 participants took part from various sectors of business, government, NGOs, private individuals and media. At the conferences, issue of making the legislation on IPR protection internationally accepted was raised. USAID organized the 2nd conference which was specifically dedicated to development of Armenia's information technology sector. |
| 07.2001 | USAID | Armenia | USAID organized meeting with representatives of National Assembly (Parliament) and American Chamber of Commerce to discuss the Government of Armenia's proposed amendments to Copyright Law and Civil Code and future course of action regarding amendments to the Customs Code and the draft Criminal Code. |
| 11.2000 | Copyright Office, WIPO | Bahrain, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Egypt, Ethiopia, Liberia, Peru, Moldova, Russia, Slovakia, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Viet Nam | International Symposium on the Effects of Technology on Copyright and Related Rights. |

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| 09.2000 | USPTO | Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Republic of Korea, Fiji, India, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam | Technical assistance given on IP enforcement in knowledge-based economy. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | Bolivia | IPR Seminar for Bolivian policymakers at US Embassy La Paz. Seminar included presentations by experts from the US and Bolivia. 100+ government officials from the executive, legislative and judicial branches attended. Extensive background materials were provided to participants by the PAS Information Resource Center (IRC). Business Facilitation Incentive Funds (BFIF) and PAS funds were used to sponsor the event. |
| 06.2001 | DOS | Bolivia | IV Programme in the US on IPR issues. Provided extensive programme on comparative and bilateral IPR issues for the General Counsel to SENAPI. |
| 06.2001 | DOS | Bolivia | PAS Speaker on IPR and Textile Design. Provided seminar on IPR to indigenous artisans, NGOs working in textile production with indigenous communities, and the Bolivian museum community. Seminar was part of a broader programme sponsored by the Bolivian Chapter of ICOM. |
| 08.2001 | DOS | Botswana | IPR seminar, organized by a TRIPS advisor. |
| 10.2000 | USPTO | Brazil | Technical assistance given during tour in US. |
| 03.2001 | USPTO | Brazil | USPTO gave technical assistance to Head of Brazilian Office. |
| 03.2001 | DOC | Bulgaria | Visiting Commerce DAS met with Deputy Economy Ministry to discuss data exclusivity. |
| 05.2001 | USAID | Bulgaria | USAID-funded seminar aimed at promoting "Effective Enforcement Strategies of Bulgarian Copyright Laws" took place in Plovdiv. |
| 01.2001 | DOS | Cameroon | Official of Ministry of Industrial Development & Commerce to US as IV for IP consultations. |

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| 01.2001 | DOS | Chile | Post organized individual IV grant travel to Head of Industrial Property Rights Department at Chile's Ministry of Economy. He had the opportunity to meet experts in both public and private sectors at different levels in the area of IP issues. He looked specifically at the new challenges posed by e-commerce in this regard. |
| 01.2001 | USPTO | Chile | USPTO gave technical assistance during Industrial Property Dept. visit. |
| 09.2000 | DOC | China | Training seminar on WTO. DOC officials presented training workshops on key WTO principles, including intellectual property issues to Chinese officials in Beijing and Shanghai. Approximately 120 Chinese officials from Beijing and Shanghai, representing mid-level officials from the State Economic and Trade Council, MOFTEC, State Bureau of Quality and Technical Supervision, and SDPC participated in the workshops. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | China | Dozens of Chinese officials have participated in IPR training programmes in computer software copyright protection provided by the Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade so far this year. |
| 09.2000 | USCS, USSS, IRS | China | USCS IPR Enforcement Briefing IPR Center & IPR Programme to PRC Econ. Crimes Inv. Div. delegation. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | China | WTO Seminar held in China. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | China | USPTO gave technical assistance to SIPO and ministries. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | China | USPTO gave technical assistance during visit from China to the US. |
| 12.2000 | USPTO | China | USPTO gave speech to Ministry of Science and Technology of China. |
| 01.2001 | USPTO | China | USPTO gave technical assistance during visit from China to the US. |
| 01.2001 | USPTO | China | USPTO gave technical assistance to Guangzhou Patent Office. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | China | US delegation visited Beijing, Xian, Shanghai, and Shenzhen under the IPR Exchange Programme Phase III. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | China | As part of the embassy-arranged expert exchange programme, US speakers addressed an inter-agency audience of Chinese IPR officials at the SIPO training center. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | China | US ambassador gave speech at Renmin University on IP and consumers' rights. |
| 03.2001 | USPTO | China | IPR/TRIPS. |
| 05.2001 | DOS | China | Post co-hosted with Beijing Normal University a seminar on copyright protection under the WTO. |

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| 06.2001 | DOC, DOJ | China | US-China IPR Enforcement Symposium. The programme aimed at presenting issues and options to Chinese officials and entrepreneurs on intellectual property rights enforcement, including provisions of (TRIPS) Agreement and comparative IP enforcement practices and procedures engaged in by US customs officers, prosecutors, and courts. Approximately 80-150 participants from China's IP enforcement community attended the programme. |
| 06.2001 | DOS | China | Embassy, in conjunction with MOFTEC, arranged to bring a group of US IPR experts to China to conduct WTO-related training in Shenyang, Hangzhou, and Xiamen. Participants included Chinese officials, as well as some Chinese and US business representatives. |
| 08.2001 | USPTO | China | Group of 3 officials from ministries of Science and Technology from Henan province, China will tour USPTO and meet with lawyers from the Office of Legislative and International Affairs to discuss TRIPS implementation. |
| 11.2000 | DOS, USTR, USPTO, LOC | Dominican Republic | Representatives from USTR, USPTO and LOC met in Santo Domingo for over 8 hours with their Dominican government counterparts to explain in detail USG concerns with recently enacted patent and copyright legislation. Meeting was followed up by a written report detailing the provisions of the Dominican patent law that US team considered non-TRIPS-compliant. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Dominican Republic | USPTO gave technical assistance on bilaterals. |
| 05.2001 | DOS, USAID | Dominican Republic | USAID participated in sponsorship of IPR seminar in Santo Domingo hosted by local university. Seminar aimed at increasing awareness and understanding of the need for the DR to adopt a more TRIPS-compliant IPR regime. Speakers addressed shortcomings in current patent law, and the need for greater enforcement of IPR. Attended by legislators, attorneys, news media, and private sector representatives. |
| 08.2001 | DOS | Dominican Republic | Follow-up discussion to November 2000 meeting in Santo Domingo held between USG and GODR IPR experts on the margins of the FTAA IPR committee meeting in Panama City. Focus will be on GODR progress toward conforming its patent law and regulations of TRIPS standards and improving enforcement of IP rights. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | Egypt | 2-3 "WrodlNet" video-dialogues with US speakers on IPR protection for videos, books and pharmaceuticals. Each was attended by an audience of approx. 12 journalists from the print and broadcast media. |

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| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Training: patent training: consultants from the project conducted three 1-day training courses for 20 Egyptian Patent Office examiners. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE technical assistance: professional reviews of Egypt's draft IPR law: comments provided to the government on TRIPS inconsistencies and technical problems in the draft law. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE technical assistance: IPR law consultations. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Training: technical industrial design training: training provided to 8 employees of the Egyptian Patent Office on technical industrial design issues. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Training: franchising: project conducted a workshop on franchising, attended by 100 persons from a variety of interested private and public entities. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE technical assistance: Patent Office operations: recommendations provided to the government concerning the Patent Office's study of space. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE technical assistance: Health Sector TRIPS Implementation: a needs assessment was performed for the Ministry of Health and Population, describing Egypt's current status with regard to TRIPS implementation in the area of pharmaceuticals and measures that would be required in order to implement these requirements fully. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Technical Assistance: TRIPS management: improve management of the TRIPS contact point. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Technical Assistance: Trademark review: project reviewed in the WIPO comments on the trademark part of the new draft law. Consultant wrote a legal memorandum on these issues. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Technical Assistance: Patent Office models: project provided a discussion paper on utility models for the Egyptian Patent Office. Paper provided the Patent Office with background on the types of utility models granted by other countries and the different options available to Egypt. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Technical Assistance: Information protection: project provided draft guidelines on the protection of undisclosed information. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Training: legal training: at the request of the Arab Union of Lawyers, project financed cost of 3 speakers for an IPR legal conference that was attended by 150 Egyptian lawyers. Additionally, initiative financed cost of 14 attendees at conference. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Egypt | SIPRE Training: Training of university law students: project conducted 5-week training course on IPR in the law school of Menoufiya University. Approx. 40 graduate and undergraduate students attended. |

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| 10.2000 | DOS | Egypt | Speaker Programme: US trade lawyer undertook 5-day programme in Cairo and Alexandria on WTO legal issues, particularly IPR. He gave 2 public addresses to audiences of several hundred journalists, jurists and academics. He also participated in several additional roundtables with jurists on the same issues. |
| 10.2000 | USP, TO | Egypt | USPTO gave 2-week training programme in US. |
| 02.2001 | USAID | Egypt | WTO Compliance for Competitiveness Workshop, Geneva. USAID sponsored participation by 24 Egyptian officials and businessmen in a 3-day workshop on WTO issues. Among other topics, they received presentations from senior officials responsible for IPR issues at WIPO, WTO, and ITC. |
| 02.2001 | USPTO | Egypt, Algeria, Oman, Jordan | USPTO gave technical assistance on US and international copyright issues. |
| 09.2000 | USAID/SI ECA | El Salvador | USG provided valuable input to a government draft trademark bill, ensuring that the legislation incorporated world class IPR provisions. |
| 08.2001 | DOS | Eritrea | Public Affairs Office of US Embassy in Eritrea sponsored a Hubert H. Humphrey fellowship training programme in IPR for an official at the Eritrean Department of Trade. Fellowship comprises a 10-month training programme at American University and starts on 15 August 2001. |
| 05.2001 | USPTO | Guatemala | Intern Programmes. |
| 05.2001 | USPTO, DOS | Guatemala | State - Independent Visitor's Programme. |
| 02.2001 | USAID | Honduras | Seminar on uses of the internet for 60 lawyers, prosecutors and industry representatives; co-sponsored by Secretariat of Economic Integration in Central America. |
| 10.2000 | DOS | Hong Kong, China | Speaker programme sponsored by Public Affairs (DOS): "IP in the 21st Century: A View from the USPTO". Speech to the HK IP Dept. |
| 04.2001 | DOS | Hong Kong, China | Speaker programme sponsored by Public Affairs (DOS): Cybercrime and E-commerce. |
| 04.2001 | DOS | Hong Kong, China, Macau | Speaker programme sponsored by Public Affairs (DOS): Internet and IPR. |
| 06.2001 | USTR | Hungary, Albania, Stability Pact countries | IPR briefing at WTO-accession conference hosted by Governments of Hungary and the Netherlands. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | India | Synopsis Bibliography of articles related to "Patent prosecution and licensing strategies" was prepared for distribution at a workshop conducted by the Confederation of Indian Industry and the Centre for IP Management in Mumbai. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | India | 16 articles/reports including the annual "Special 301" Review on copyright piracy and market access problems around the world, were sent out to 52 DRS contacts. |

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| 09.2000 | DOS | India | Articles and websites on trade secrets, geographical indicators, patent pooling, patent licensing agreements, and cyber security have been provided to other contacts. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | India | Info pack on IPR was provided to University of Pune which has set up an IPR cell. |
| 01.2001 | DOS | India | 2 private IV visitors conducted programme on IP rights. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | India | Embassy organized workshop series on biotech and pharmaceutical product development. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | India | Workshop series on technology management in biotechnology and pharmaceutical product development, organized in New Delhi, Pune and Hyderabad in association with CSIR. Organized/coordinated by Embassy Science Office under the Indo-US Technology Management Programme. 5 American technology management experts attended the workshop series as speakers. |
| 05.2001 | DOS | India | Interactive session on IPR with local speakers. |
| 07.2001 | DOS | India | 3 Indian technology management experts attended 1-week IPR programme at Michigan State University in US. |
| 07.2001 | DOS | India | 1-week international internship programme on IPR at Michigan State University (Embassy Science Office nominated 3 Indian technology management experts to attend this programme). |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Indonesia | USPTO gave technical assistance on IP issues. |
| 07.2001 | DOS | Indonesia | Embassy Jakarta and DOS's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs' sponsored a Voluntary Visitor programme for a leading Indonesian IPR lawyer and special advisor to the Director General of IPR, Ministry of Justice and Human Rights. He visited Washington for 1 week in early July for meetings with USG officials and private sector associations working on IP issues. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | Israel | DOS Public Diplomacy Speakers Programme (Tel Aviv and Jerusalem): seminars and meetings with an individual who is an attorney, professor, and author on IPR issues. One seminar was specifically for key IPR policy-makers in the government of Israel; other events included government officials, members of the Knesset, academics, and private sector representatives. |
| 06.2001 | USPTO | Israel | USPTO gave technical assistance to head of Israeli Office. |
| 06.2001 | USPTO, DOS INIL | Israel, Poland, Albania | USPTO TRIPS IP Enforcement Programme in Arlington, VA. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | Jordan | Public Affairs (DOS) conducted a US speaker event focusing on IPR and the publishing industry (at some point in the time period September 2000 to August 2001.) |

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| 09.2000 | Agency USAID | Jordan | Industrial Design Regulation. Provide legal assistance to Ministry of Industry and Trade/Government of Jordan in drafting regulations/instructions to implement new industrial design law. Continuing through present (as of August 2001). |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Jordan | Patent Regulation. Provide legal assistance to Ministry of Industry and Trade/Government of Jordan in drafting regulations/instructions to implement new patent law. Continued through June 2001. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Jordan | Integrated Circuits Regulation. Provide legal assistance to Ministry of Industry and Trade/Government of Jordan in drafting regulations/instructions to implement new law on protection of integrated circuits. Continuing through present (as of Aug 2001). |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Jordan | Customs Border Enforcement - Regulation. Provide legal assistance to Customs Dept. in drafting regulations to implement new border enforcement provisions of the Customs Law. Continued through Nov 2000. |
| 10.2000 | USPTO | Jordan | USPTO gave technical assistance on e-commerce. |
| 11.2000 | USAID | Jordan | Plant Variety Protection - Regulation. Provide legal assistance to Ministry of Industry and Trade/Government of Jordan in drafting regulations/instructions to implement new plant variety law. Continuing through present (as of August 2001). |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Jordan | USPTO gave technical assistance to Jordanian judges. |
| 03.2001 | USAID | Jordan | TRIPS Review. Provide legal assistance to the Ministry of Industry and Trade in updating checklist of issues and preparing for TRIPS review. |
| 03.2001 | USAID | Jordan | WIPO/WTO Committee Participation. Fund travel of a representative of Ministry of Industry and Trade/Industrial Property Protection Department to participate in selected IPO and WTO TRIPS meetings. |
| 04.2001 | USAID | Jordan | WIPO/WTO Committee Participation. Fund travel of a representative of Ministry of Industry and Trade/Industrial Property Protection Department to participate in selected IPO and WTO TRIPS meetings. |
| 05.2001 | USAID | Jordan | IP Automation - Industrial Property Protection Department. Provide computers for Industrial Property Protection Department of Ministry of Industry and Trade to run WIPO Arabic language IP management system. |
| 05.2001 | USAID | Jordan | IP Business Guidelines. Draft comprehensive "plain language" guides for businesses on trademarks, patents, and industrial designs to be published in print and on Ministry website. Through July 2001. |
| 06.2001 | USAID | Jordan | Plant Variety Protection - Training. Provide training to Ministry of Agriculture on requirements of new plant variety law. |

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| 06.2001 | USAID | Jordan | Customs Border Enforcement Training. Provide training to Customs officers on detection of infringing and pirated goods. Continuing through present (as of August 2001). |
| 08.2001 | USAID | Jordan | Restructuring Industrial Property Protection Department. Provide assistance to Industrial Property Protection Department in streamlining procedures/improving business processes/design and implement quality management system. Through December 2001. |
| 08.2001 | USAID | Jordan | IP Automation - National Library. Provide computers for National Library staff responsible for enforcement of copyright law in Jordan. |
| 01.2001 | DOS | Kuwait | Post hosted President of McConnell International, an information technology and management consulting firm. He addressed Kuwaiti audiences concerning Kuwait's "e-readiness", focusing much of the discussion on the need for Kuwait to adopt a necessary and efficient IPR enforcement regime. |
| 03.2000 | DOS | Kuwait | Embassy programmed visit by former DOJ Senior Council and current Vice President of IP Policy for IDSA. He addressed Kuwaiti audiences on IPR enforcement. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Kuwait, Indonesia, Bulgaria, Chinese Taipei, Republic of Korea, EI Salvador, Albania, Paraguay, Nigeria, Macau, Viet Nam, China, Egypt | USPTO gave technical assistance to Visiting Scholars. |
| 09.2000 | USAID, Pragma Corp., Booz-Allen/ Hamilton | Kyrgyzstan | Assistance to the State Agency for IP under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic (Kyrgyzpatent) the form of review of IP-related national legislation. |
| 09.2000 | USAID, Pragma Corp., Booz-Allen/ Hamilton | Kyrgyzstan | Assistance in drafting the Regulation on Well-Known Trademarks, which was approved under Resolution 520 of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic. |

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| 09.2000 | USAID, Pragma Corp., Booz-Allen/Hamilton | Kyrgyzstan | Assistance to Kyrgyzpatent on IPR border enforcement issues, including providing legal expertise regarding the draft Regulation on Customs Control of Goods Incorporating IP Objects. Regulation was enacted by Resolution 694 of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic on 27 November 2000. |
| 09.2000 | USAID, Pragma Corp., Booz-Allen/Hamilton | Kyrgyzstan | Assistance to Kyrgyzpatent in its efforts to respond to a 301 petition filed by the 11PA. In particular, the project gave comments clarifying retroactive protection of works and phonograms, initiation of criminal cases in copyright infringement cases, civil remedies in copyright cases, and enforcement of IP Committee of Kyrgyzpatent, the main task of which is to coordinate IPR enforcement among all relevant ministries, agencies, and other state bodies. |
| 09.2000 | USAID, Pragma Corp., Booz-Allen/Hamilton | Kyrgyzstan | Assistance to Kyrgyzpatent in meeting notification requirements to the TRIPS Council/WTO, including preparation of answers to follow-up questions of WTO member states in response to the checklist on issues of enforcement and notification under Article 63.2 of the TRIPS Agreement. |
| 01.2001 | USPTO | Latvia | US-Latvian E-Commerce Working Group. |
| 09.2000 | USCS | Malaysia | Synopsis USCS (Singapore) officials consulted with Malaysian enforcement officials on IPR enforcement and prosecution. |
| 10.2000 | DOS | Malaysia | Embassy Public Affairs and Economic sections arranged for a judge from LSDLS to consult with the Malaysian Bar Council and MIPA on strict and swift prosecution of IPR violators. The judge also conducted a half-day seminar at ILKAP on IPR law in the US, alternative dispute resolution, and court management. |
| 02.2001 | DOS, USTR | Malaysia | An inter-agency IPR delegation led by Deputy Assistant from USTR visited Kuala Lumpur to consult with Malaysian officials on the enforcement of the Optical Disc Act 2000 and Malaysia's efforts to strengthen its IPR. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | Malaysia | DOS Public Affairs funded participation of the President, National IP Law Institute, in a conference organized by MIPA and the Asian Patent Attorneys Association Malaysia Group entitled "Recent Developments in IP: the Impact on Emerging Economies". |
| 04.2001 | DOS | Malaysia | The Embassy's Public Affairs Section and ISIDILS sent 2 high court judges, the Deputy Registrar of the High Court, and 4 lawyers to the US to look at alternative dispute resolution and IPR law. |
| 05.2001 | USTR | Malaysia | During his visit to Malaysia, USTR Assistance met with MDTCA Secretary General to discuss enforcement of Malaysia's IPR regime and USTR's 30 April 2001, decision to keep Malaysia on the Special 301 Priority Watch List. |

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| 06.2001 | DOS | Malaysia | Senior Fulbright Scholar begins 5-week programme in Malaysia. Scholar worked on curriculum development and taught continuing education programmes on cyberlaws and IPR. |
| 07.2001 | USCS | Malaysia | USCS Customs Attaché consulted with MDTCA enforcement officials and Royal Malaysian Customs and Excise Department officials on enforcement of Malaysia's IPR laws and opportunities for future training. |
| 10.2000 | USPTO | Moldova | Trademark, GIs. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | Moldova | A judicial training seminar was presented by the NGO Coalition for IPR. |
| 12.2000 | DOC, CLP, USAID | Nigeria | CLDP, with USAID funding, organized the "Administration of IP Conference", held in Abuja. The Ministries of Commerce and Culture and Tourism, IPLAn, NOTAP, entertainers and scientists helped to convene the conference. Focused on egregious state of Nigeria's industrial property laws and procedures and raised the issues of Nigeria's intellectual obligations in the area of IPR. |
| 12.2000 | USPTO, USAID | Nigeria | USAID funded Administration of Intellectual Property Rights in Nigeria conference. |
| 04.2001 | DOC, CLDP, USAID | Nigeria | CLDP, with USAID funding, organized the "IPR Workshop" at the ECOWAS Secretariat. Attended by lawyers and government officials from several ECOWAS member-states, including Nigeria. Focus was primarily on what member states must do to become compliant with TRIPS and the WTO treaties. A diagnostic tool was used to compare national laws with the TRIPS Agreement and identify amendments needed to bring the national laws in compliance with TRIPS. |
| 04.2001 | USPTO, DOC, CLDP, USAID | Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ghana | IPR conference in Nigeria. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Panama | USPTO gave technical assistance on IP issues. |
| 01.2001 | DOS | Panama | Half-day seminar for supreme court justices and high court judges and magistrates. |
| 06.2001 | DOS INL | Paraguay | Post conducted training seminar in the identification of falsified goods for government officials and copyright and trademark expert witnesses. Funded by INL, training involved 36 participants drawn from Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Office of the Attorney General, National Police, the Judiciary, and the Finance Ministry's tax compliance unit. |
| 11.2000 | DOC | Poland | Commerce Assistant Secretary visited Poland for bilateral economic consultations. Major focus was need for improved IPR protection in Poland. His discussions with various government officials covered patents, copyrights, and data exclusivity. |

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| 06.2001 | DOS | Poland | Embassy co-sponsored and helped organize with the Ministry of Health and the American Chamber of Commerce's Local American Working Group of US R&D pharmaceutical manufacturers conference on innovation and medicine. Focused on benefits of research-based medicines as well as need for strong IPR protection (patent protection and data exclusivity) to promote better health, more research and new product development, and increased investment. 300+ government officials, physicians, scientists, healthcare firms. |
| 04.2001 | USPTO | Qatar | USPTO reviewed copyright law of Qatar. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Russia | USPTO gave technical assistance on trademark issues with judges. |
| 10.2000 | USPTO | Russia | USPTO gave technical assistance on e-commerce. |
| 12.2000 | USPTO | Russia | American Russian Forum in Russia. |
| 02.2001 | USPTO | Russia | USPTO gave technical assistance to IP Working Group. |
| 05.2001 | USPTO | Russia | UNECE Advisory Group. |
| 06.2001 | USPTO | Russia | AIPLA seminar in Moscow. |
| 03.2001 | USPTO | Russia, Ukraine, Colombia | Symposium on the Internet and IP Crime in London. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | San Marino | Presentation to judges by USPTO. |
| 09.2000 | Agency USPTO | San Marino | USPTO gave technical assistance at judges visit. |
| 09.2000 | DOS | Saudi Arabia | Post has engaged Saudi authorities throughout the year (09.2000 – 08.2001) on IPR issues and plans to continue to do so in the coming year. |
| 03.2001 | DOS | Saudi Arabia | USG official travelled to Saudi Arabia as participant in the International Speaker Programme. Met with the Saudi IPR committee, which represents a variety of ministries and government entities concerned with IPR issues, including Ministries of Commerce, Information, Interior, the Saudi Patent Office, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs. USG official also met with various legal experts and officials at the GCC Patent Office. |
| 09.2000 | US and Foreign Commercial Service, INI | Slovakia, Romania, Hungary, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Latvia, Bulgaria, Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, Croatia | Conference on IP enforcement for pharmaceuticals in Central and Eastern Europe held in Ilea Budapest. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | South Korea | USPTO gave technical assistance at meeting with Korean Embassy on computer software law. |

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| 11.2000 | USPTO | South Korea | USPTO gave technical assistance to Patent examiners. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | South Korea | USPTO gave technical assistance on CFO and HR visit. |
| 04.2001 | International Copyright Enforcement | South Korea | Assisted and trained local law enforcement in identifying counterfeit books; provide expert identification (when requested), logistical support in criminal prosecutions, forensic analysis, legal memoranda, equipment necessary to identify counterfeits to local law enforcement (e.g. microscopes, video cameras). |
| 06.2001 | USPTO | South Korea | USPTO gave technical assistance to Korean officials in Korea. |
| 09.2000 | USAID | Sri Lanka | Introduction of an IPR Postgraduate Diploma programme at the Sri Lanka Law College, \$150,00. Programme was introduced with assistance of George Washington University and the Asia Pacific Law College, and is the 1 st IPR programme in Sri Lanka. USAID's TIPS. Project provided technical assistance, including infrastructure to hold teleconferencing at the Law College. First group of 38 students will graduate September 2001. 2 nd group has already enrolled, and the course is becoming a popular programme. |
| 08.2001 | USAID | Sri Lanka | Automation of Sri Lanka's National IPR office, \$70,000. Through the TIPS project, USAID funded the automation of the Patent Division and the Industrial Designs division of the National IPR office. Presently these functions are done manually, causing significant delays. Activity will be completed in August 2001. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Syria | USPTO gave technical assistance on IP issues. |
| 10.2000 | AIT, USPTO, DOJ, USCS | Chinese Taipei | IPR Seminar for 160 officials on TRIPS standards and enforcement. |
| 10.2000 | USPTO | Chinese Taipei | 4 judges attended USPTO training seminar in US. |
| 11.2000 | AIT, USTR, DOC | Chinese Taipei | IPR enforcement consultations between US officials and Chinese Taipei IP authorities. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO | Chinese Taipei | Enforcement programme. |
| 11.2000 | USPTO, AIT | Chinese Taipei | IPR seminar for 40-50 lawyers. |
| 02.2001 | AIT, USTR, USPTO, Copyright Office | Chinese Taipei | IPR consultations between US officials and Chinese Taipei authorities on optical disc and patent legislation. |
| 03.2001 | USTR, AIT | Chinese Taipei | USTR official provides assistance on OD and patent legislation. |
| 04.2001 | USPTO | Chinese Taipei | USPTO reviewed optical media disc law of Chinese Taipei. |
| 06.2001 | DOS | Chinese Taipei | Dep. Director of IPO to US as IV for IP consultations. |
| 06.2001 | DOS | Chinese Taipei | IV seminar on IPR protection for hi-tech goods. |

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| 02.2001 | USAID | Tajikistan | USAID helped to find Tajik participation in a Civil Code Drafting Workshop held in Germany. Training event involved cooperation with the Majilisi Oli (Parliament), Presidential Administration, and National Patent Center. Participants served in working group which prepared Civil Code Part III provisions on IPR legislation currently being circulated for comment and review within the GOTI. |
| 07.2001 | DOS | Tajikistan | Embassy in Dushanbe, Tajikistan recently used Public Diplomacy funds to order Russian-language background booklets on IPR for distribution in Tajikistan. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Thailand | Enforcement Programme with WIPO. |
| 11.2000 | US District Court | Thailand | Visit by US District Court judge from Wilmington, Delaware. His activities included serving as panelist for the 3rd Symposium of CIPIT Court, giving a presentation on case management to a gathering of CIPIT Court judges, and consulting with judges responsible for court reform and court allocation projects. |
| 11.2000 | USCS, USPTO | Thailand | Presentations by USCS Senior Special Agent on IPR enforcement law and procedure and USPTO attorney-adviser on semiconductor chip protection at 5th APEC/P1FP Course on Management of Industrial Property Rights. |
| 03.2001 | USPTO | Thailand | USPTO gave technical assistance to judges from Thailand. |
| 05.2001 | USPTO | Thailand | USPTO gave technical assistance on trademark and patent practice to a Thai judge. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Trinidad and Tobago | IP Office visit to the US. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Trinidad and Tobago | USPTO gave technical assistance at meeting on biotechnology. |
| 07.2001 | DOS | Tunisia, Japan, Croatia, Armenia, Malaysia | International Visitor Programme. "Copyright in the Electronic Age". |
| 04.2001 | DOS, MPAA | Turkey | European Director of MPAA made presentation at Anadolu Univ. in Eskisehir comparing US and European approaches to IPR issues and methods of film production. Speech organized by Embassy Ankara Public Affairs Office at request of Ministry of Culture. Attended by government officials, university professors, and Turkish film producers. |
| 08.2001 | DOS | Turkey | Head of EU Coordination Department of the Ministry of Justice invited on International Visitors Programme with 3 other Justice Ministry officials to visit US to examine how IPR law is enforced in the US. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Ukraine | Technical assistance given via videoconference. |
| 03.2001 | USPTO | Ukraine | USPTO gave technical assistance on copyright enforcement. |

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| 04.2001 | USPTO | United Arab Emirates | Government official from Ministry of Economy and Commerce attended USPTO training programme in Washington. |
| 06.2001 | USPTO | Venezuela | USPTO gave technical assistance to judicial. |
| 09.2000 | USPTO | Viet Nam | Technical assistance given during visit by Commissioner to Viet Nam. |
