

FMD 10-002
MAP 10-003
QSP 10-001
TASC 10-001
EMP 10-001

SUBJECT: List of Restricted Countries

TO: All Program Participants

BACKGROUND

The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) periodically publishes notices informing all participants in the Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program (FMD), the Market Access Program (MAP), the Quality Samples Program (QSP), the Technical Assistance for Specialty Crops Program (TASC), and the Emerging Markets Program (EMP), of economic and trade sanctions against targeted foreign countries based on foreign policy and national security goals. The appearance of a country on this restricted list requires that no activities funded under the FMD, MAP, QSP, TASC, or EMP be conducted in that country.

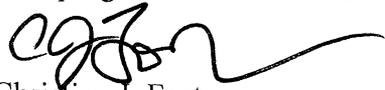
POLICY

Commodity Credit Corporation funds may not be used for market development or export promotion activities in certain countries. Section 908(a)(1) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 states that, "No United States Government assistance, including United States foreign assistance, United States export assistance, and any United States credit or guarantees shall be available for exports to Cuba or for commercial exports to Iran, Libya, North Korea, or Sudan." In 2004, however, the President waived application of this provision to Libya.

Any private activities by program participants cannot be counted as contributions to CCC supported programs. Expenditure data should not appear on any FAS or CCC financial reports for these restricted countries.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This program notice is effective immediately.



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