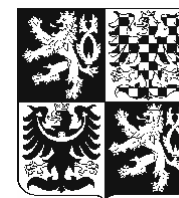


DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION of the Czech Republic

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Institutional framework

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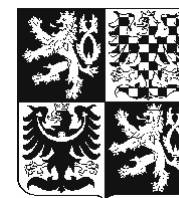
- the coordinator of the Czech Republic's official international development coordination programme
- drafts the concept and coordinates at the national level the Czech development cooperation which is highly decentralised.
- **Department of Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance** established in 2003 (10 persons, 2 units – Bilateral, Multilateral)

9 line ministries

- responsible for implementation of development projects

Development Centre of the Institute of International Relations

- supporting expert partner for coordination of development projects
- (10 persons)

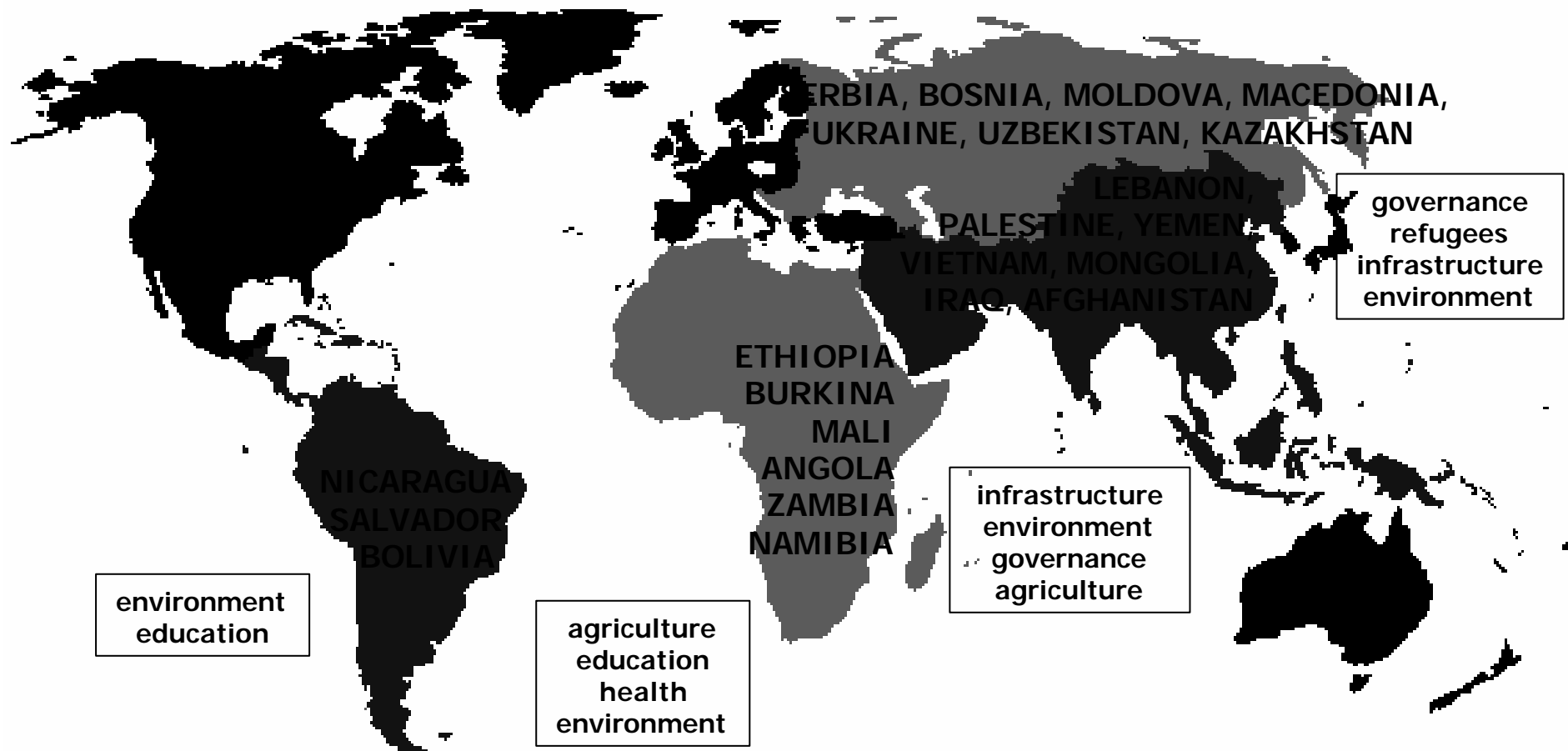


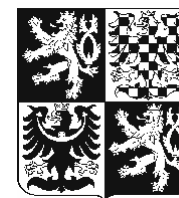
Legal Framework

Czech Development Cooperation is an integral part of the Czech foreign policy.

- **Principles of the International Development Cooperation after the Accession of the Czech Republic to the European Union**
 - approved by the Government in 2004 (Resolution No. 302/2004)
- **The Concept of the Czech Foreign Aid for 2002 - 2007**
 - accepted by the Government (Resolution No. 91/2002)
 - together with the “Perspectives of Czech Foreign Aid After Joining the EU”
- **Law on Development cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance**
 - being prepared

GEOGRAPHICAL DIVISION





Programme countries

Country Strategy Programmes

- for priority **countries**, based on PRSPs
- for 2006 – 2010
- approved by the government in June 2005
- 75 % of resources for bilateral projects to priority countries

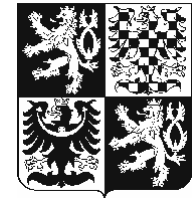
Eight long-term priority countries

- Angola, Zambia, Viet Nam, Mongolia, Yemen,
- Moldavia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro

Two medium-term priority countries

- Iraq
- Afghanistan (provided that these countries cooperate in eliminating security risks).

COOPERATION with AFRICA



- Long history of relationship between former Czechoslovakia and Africa
- 1st Czechoslovak Consulate opened in Alexandria in 1920
- During 60s – 80s countries of „special interests“ for former Czechoslovakia: Angola, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Benin, Guinea-Bissau, Congo, Nigeria, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Burkina Faso, Ghana and Uganda

2 PRIORITY COUNTRIES in AFRICA

- ANGOLA

? **Priority sectors:** agriculture, rural development and education + scholarships

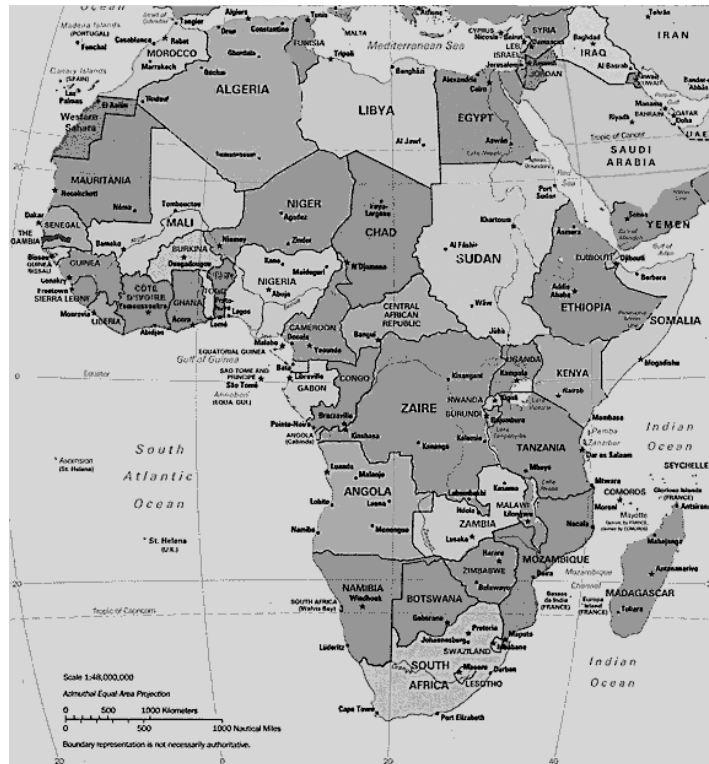
? Memorandum of Understanding and Development Cooperation signed in February 2005

- ZAMBIA

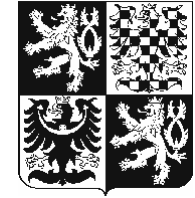
? **Priority sectors:** health, civil society and sustainable development of environment + scholarships

? Memorandum of Understanding and Development Cooperation to be signed in 2006

NON-PRIORITY COUNTRIES in AFRICA



- Projects in 6 non-priority countries (Ethiopia, Namibia, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Malawi and Tanzania)
- > 1 500 000 Euro in 2005
- Sectors: health, education, social society, agriculture, environment, industrial development



FUTURE PLANS

- Aim to fulfil our commitments (0,17% in 2010)
? increase number and volume of projects in Africa
- Institutionalization of development cooperation system
(Development Agency?)
- Act on Development Cooperation
? Draft to be approved by the government by October 2006
- Increase involvement in EU development cooperation

Thank you!

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