



EGYPT

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NOTE ON OPERATIONS AGAINST THE DESERT LOCUST

1. Funding and state of execution of the ECLC programme

- One national Desert Locust control project, funded by FAO's Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP), provided an assistance of US\$175 558 to Egypt. At project completion, on 31 December 2005, an assistance worth US\$166 685 had been committed for Egypt (95% of the total amount).

2. Assistance provided by FAO in 2005

- **Technical assistance:** An amount of US\$8 690 complemented the budget provided by FAO's Commission for Controlling the Desert Locust in the Central Region (CRC) and the Emergency Prevention System for Transboundary Animal and Plant Pests and Diseases (EMPRES)/Central Region to train national staff in standard survey and control practices.
- **Pesticides:** 10 000 litres of Deltamethrin 12.5 g, worth US\$38 200, arrived in Egypt on 26 April 2005.
- **Equipment:** Eight vehicle-mounted sprayers (Micron ULVAMAST V3M) were purchased for an amount of US\$47 141 as well as 100 complete protective clothing kits for US\$10 943 and communication equipment (US\$6 200). This equipment was delivered in the country between March and May 2005. Furthermore, office and data management equipment as well as other equipment for vehicle maintenance and repair were provided to the national authorities for an amount of US\$57 291.
- **Training:** Egypt participated in a regional workshop on RAMSES, eLocust and satellite imagery interpretation held in March 2006 in Cairo.