



EGYPT

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NOTE ON OPERATIONS AGAINST THE DESERT LOCUST

1. Funding and state of execution of the ECLO programme

- One national Desert Locust control project, funded by FAO's Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP), is providing assistance to Egypt. The country budget allocation is US\$175 558 and the project duration is up to 31 December 2005. As of 5 December 2005, an assistance worth US\$111 885 has been committed for Egypt. The remaining funds, US\$63 673, are envisaged to be used for further strengthening national capacities for Desert Locust control.

2. Assistance provided by FAO in 2005

- **Technical assistance:** An amount of US\$10 000 is contributing to the training 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. The aim is 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\$46 971 and 100 complete protective clothing kits for US\$11 114. This equipment arrived in the country during the period from March to May 2005. Furthermore, office and data management equipment are provided to the national authorities for an amount of US\$5 000.