

**(b) Candidate country described**

A candidate country referred to in subsection (a) is a candidate country that—

(1) satisfies the requirements contained in subsection (a) or (b) of section 7705 of this title; and

(2) demonstrates a significant commitment to meet the requirements of section 7706(b) of this title but fails to meet such requirements (including by reason of the absence or unreliability of data).

**(c) Administration**

Assistance under this section may be provided through the United States Agency for International Development.

**(d) Funding**

Not more than 10 percent of the amount appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations under section 7718(a) of this title for fiscal year 2004 is authorized to be made available to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 108–199, div. D, title VI, §616, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 224; Pub. L. 109–13, div. A, title II, §2109, May 11, 2005, 119 Stat. 268.)

## AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 109–13 substituted “subsection (a) or (b) of section 7705” for “subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 7705(a)(1)”.

**§ 7716. General personnel authorities****(a) Detail of personnel**

Upon request of the Chief Executive Officer, the head of an agency may detail any employee of such agency to the Corporation on a reimbursable basis. Any employee so detailed remains, for the purpose of preserving such employee’s allowances, privileges, rights, seniority, and other benefits, an employee of the agency from which detailed.

**(b) Reemployment rights****(1) In general**

An employee of an agency who is serving under a career or career conditional appointment (or the equivalent), and who, with the consent of the head of such agency, transfers to the Corporation, is entitled to be reemployed in such employee’s former position or a position of like seniority, status, and pay in such agency, if such employee—

(A) is separated from the Corporation for any reason, other than misconduct, neglect of duty, or malfeasance; and

(B) applies for reemployment not later than 90 days after the date of separation from the Corporation.

**(2) Specific rights**

An employee who satisfies paragraph (1) is entitled to be reemployed (in accordance with such paragraph) within 30 days after applying for reemployment and, on reemployment, is entitled to at least the rate of basic pay to which such employee would have been entitled had such employee never transferred.

**(c) Hiring authority**

Of persons employed by the Corporation, not to exceed 30 persons may be appointed, com-

pensated, or removed without regard to the civil service laws and regulations.

**(d) Basic pay**

The Chief Executive Officer may fix the rate of basic pay of employees of the Corporation without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 of title 5 (relating to the classification of positions), subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title (relating to General Schedule pay rates), except that no employee of the Corporation may receive a rate of basic pay that exceeds the rate for level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of such title.

**(e) Definitions**

In this section—

(1) the term “agency” means an executive agency, as defined by section 105 of title 5; and

(2) the term “detail” means the assignment or loan of an employee, without a change of position, from the agency by which such employee is employed to the Corporation.

(Pub. L. 108–199, div. D, title VI, §617, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 224.)

**§ 7717. Personnel outside the United States****(a) Assignment to United States embassies**

An employee of the Corporation, including an individual detailed to or contracted by the Corporation, may be assigned to a United States diplomatic mission or consular post or a United States Agency for International Development field mission.

**(b) Privileges and immunities**

The Secretary of State shall seek to ensure that an employee of the Corporation, including an individual detailed to or contracted by the Corporation, and the members of the family of such employee, while the employee is performing duties in any country or place outside the United States, enjoy the privileges and immunities that are enjoyed by a member of the Foreign Service, or the family of a member of the Foreign Service, as appropriate, of comparable rank and salary of such employee, if such employee or a member of the family of such employee is not a national of or permanently resident in such country or place.

**(c) Responsibility of chief of mission**

An employee of the Corporation, including an individual detailed to or contracted by the Corporation, and a member of the family of such employee, shall be subject to section 3927 of this title in the same manner as United States Government employees while the employee is performing duties in any country or place outside the United States if such employee or member of the family of such employee is not a national of or permanently resident in such country or place.

(Pub. L. 108–199, div. D, title VI, §618, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 225.)

**§ 7718. Authorization of appropriations****(a) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this chapter such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2004 and 2005.