#### (b) Principal office

The Corporation shall maintain its principal office in the metropolitan area of Washington, District of Columbia.

#### (c) Positions with foreign governments

When approved by the Chief Executive Officer, for purposes of implementing a Compact, employees of the Corporation (including individuals detailed to the Corporation) may accept and hold offices or positions to which no compensation is attached with governments or governmental agencies of foreign countries or with international organizations.

#### (d) Other authorities

Except to the extent inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter, the administrative authorities contained in the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2651a et seq.) and the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.) shall apply to the implementation of this chapter to the same extent and in the same manner as such authorities apply to the implementation of those Acts.

#### (e) Applicability of Government Corporation Control Act

#### (1) In general

The Corporation shall be subject to chapter 91 of subtitle VI of title 31, except that the Corporation shall not be authorized to issue obligations or offer obligations to the public.

#### (2) Omitted

#### (f) Inspector General

#### (1) In general

The Inspector General of the United States Agency for International Development shall serve as Inspector General of the Corporation, and, in acting in such capacity, may conduct reviews, investigations, and inspections of all aspects of the operations and activities of the Corporation.

#### (2) Authority of the Board

In carrying out the responsibilities under this subsection, the Inspector General shall report to and be under the general supervision of the Board.

# (3) Reimbursement and authorization of services

#### (A) Reimbursement

The Corporation shall reimburse the United States Agency for International Development for all expenses incurred by the Inspector General in connection with the Inspector General's responsibilities under this subsection.

#### (B) Authorization for services

Of the amount authorized to be appropriated under section 7718(a) of this title for a fiscal year, up to \$5,000,000 is authorized to be made available to the Inspector General of the United States Agency for International Development to conduct reviews, investigations, and inspections of operations and activities of the Corporation.

#### (g) Special assistance

#### (1) In general

The Chief Executive Officer is authorized to contract with any nongovernmental organiza-

tion (including a university, independent foundation, or other organization) in the United States or in a candidate country, and, where appropriate, directly with a governmental agency of any such country, that is undertaking research aimed at improving data related to eligibility criteria under this chapter with respect to the country.

#### (2) Funding

Of the amount authorized to be appropriated under section 7718(a) of this title for a fiscal year, up to \$5,000,000 is authorized to be made available to carry out paragraph (1).

(Pub. L. 108–199, div. D, title VI, §614, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 222.)

#### References in Text

This chapter, referred to in subsecs. (a)(6), (10), (d), and (g)(1), was in the original "this title", meaning title VI of Pub. L. 108–199, div. D, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 211, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this title to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 7701 of this title and Tables.

The State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956, referred to in subsec. (d), is act Aug. 1, 1956, ch. 841, 70 Stat. 890, which enacted sections 2651a, 2669, 2670, 2671, 2672, 2673 to 2679a, 2680, 2680a, 2684, 2687 to 2690, 2692, 2695, 2696 to 2715, and 2715b to 2734 of this title and chapters 53 ( $\S$ 4301 et seq.), 53A ( $\S$ 4341 et seq.), and 53B ( $\S$ 4351 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2651 of this title and Tables.

The Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, referred to in subsec. (d), is Pub. L. 87–195, Sept. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 424, as amended, which is classified principally to chapter 32 (§2151 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2151 of this title and Tables.

#### CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 614 of div. D of Pub. L. 108-199. Subsec. (e)(2) of section 614 of div. D of Pub. L. 108-199 amended section 9101 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

# § 7714. Coordination with United States Agency for International Development

#### (a) Requirement for coordination

The Chief Executive Officer shall consult with the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development in order to coordinate the activities of the Corporation with the activities of the Agency.

## (b) USAID programs

The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development shall seek to ensure that appropriate programs of the Agency play a primary role in preparing candidate countries to become eligible countries.

(Pub. L. 108–199, div. D, title VI,  $\S615$ , Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 224.)

# § 7715. Assistance to certain candidate countries (a) Authorization

The Board, acting through the Chief Executive Officer, is authorized to provide assistance to a candidate country described in subsection (b) for the purpose of assisting such country to become an eligible country.

#### (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.)

# $\S$ 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.