

As of the start of the 2013 MAP program year, this program notice is superseded by program notice FMD 13-002, MAP 13-006, QSP 13-001, TASC 13-002, EMP 13-002.

**FMD 10-002**  
**MAP 10-003**  
**QSP 10-001**  
**TASC 10-001**  
**EMP 10-001**

**SUBJECT:** List of Restricted Countries

**TO:** All Program Participants

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) periodically publishes notices informing all participants in the Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program (FMD), the Market Access Program (MAP), the Quality Samples Program (QSP), the Technical Assistance for Specialty Crops Program (TASC), and the Emerging Markets Program (EMP), of economic and trade sanctions against targeted foreign countries based on foreign policy and national security goals. The appearance of a country on this restricted list requires that no activities funded under the FMD, MAP, QSP, TASC, or EMP be conducted in that country.

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## **POLICY**

Commodity Credit Corporation funds may not be used for market development or export promotion activities in certain countries. Section 908(a)(1) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 states that, "No United States Government assistance, including United States foreign assistance, United States export assistance, and any United States credit or guarantees shall be available for exports to Cuba or for commercial exports to Iran, Libya, North Korea, or Sudan." In 2004, however, the President waived application of this provision to Libya.

Any private activities by program participants cannot be counted as contributions to CCC supported programs. Expenditure data should not appear on any FAS or CCC financial reports for these restricted countries.

## **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This program notice is effective immediately.

[This notice was signed by Christian Foster on November 17, 2009.]

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