

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: The Road Ahead for the U.S. Role in Global Food Security

Type of Report
(ERR, EIB, EB, TB,
SOR,)

ERR

Agency: Economic Research Service Influential Scientific Information
USDA Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: The United States has played a leading role in global efforts to alleviate food insecurity for almost six decades through international food aid, bilateral and multilateral support for agricultural development, and bilateral and multilateral agreements to expand trade. U.S. food assistance has primarily taken the form of either direct donations of agricultural commodities or the sale of commodities on favorable terms, with the U.S. share of global food aid averaging approximately 50 percent over the past two decades. The United States has also been a major source of bilateral agricultural development assistance, with funding for Feed the Future, a U.S. government initiative which aims to reduce hunger and poverty in 19 developing countries, approaching \$1 billion in 2015. In 2016 Congress passed, and the President signed, the Global Food Security Act of 2016 (GFSA) which expanded Feed the Future and provides additional strength to the U.S. commitment to enhanced global food security. Additionally, the United States has been a principal supporter of World Food Program (WFP), World Bank, and FAO programs that provide food assistance and strengthen food production and marketing. The US also participates and supports agreements, such as those under the World Trade Organization and the African Growth and Opportunity Act, which facilitate the expansion of trade, including food trade. This report highlights issues related to global food security and the role that the United States plays in it.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers
 Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 1/10/17 Completed: 4/10/17 Withdrawn: X/X/17

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organization
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No