

United States Government Talking Points
Second Public-Private Sector Dialogue on Post Disaster Assistance
December 2, 2009, 9:00 am -1:30 pm
Ballrooms A&B, Hotel Intercontinental, Makati City

- On December 2nd, 2009, the U.S. Government issued the following points at the Second Public-Private Sector Dialogue on Post Disaster Assistance:
 - The U.S. Government has been a committed partner in assisting those affected by the devastating floods caused by the three massive storms and typhoons that hit Luzon in September and October.
 - On November 12, Secretary Clinton announced \$5.2 million in new and reprogrammed funds for the Philippines for vital efforts in education, water and sanitation, health and disaster preparedness.
 - These funds are in addition to the more than \$14 million in rescue and relief aid that the USG has already provided in response.
 - The \$14 million includes 7,680 MT of food assistance, valued at \$8.4 million, through the Food for Progress program in cooperation with the Philippine Government's Department of Agriculture, which U.S. Agriculture Secretary Vilsack announced on October 26.
- On December 3rd, 2009, U.S. Ambassador Kristie A. Kenney announced an additional \$10 million in food aid as part of the U.S. Government's disaster relief and recovery assistance to the Philippines, bringing total U.S. assistance to approximately \$30 million.