1. **Just 1.4%.** The $58.8 billion FY11 International Affairs Budget request represents only 1.4% of the total FY11 Budget.

2. **Funds Smart Power Tools.** The International Affairs Budget funds America’s “smart power” tools of diplomacy and development – two of the three pillars of U.S. national security. Secretary of Defense Gates, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Admiral Mullen, and dozens of retired military leaders support increased investments in our civilian agencies.

3. **Part of National Security Funding.** Similar to the Bush Administration, the Obama Administration has designated the International Affairs Budget as part of the national security agencies budget, which includes DOD, Homeland Security, and Veterans. The International Affairs Budget represents only 6.7% of U.S. national security funding.

4. **Key to America’s Economy.** The U.S. economy is closely linked with global trade, with 1 out of 5 U.S. jobs now tied to international trade. Export promotion programs funded by the International Affairs Budget are essential to expanding U.S. trade in emerging markets and helping U.S. businesses and entrepreneurs remain competitive in the global market place.

5. **With Supplementals, FY11 Request is Flat Funding.** Assuming enactment of the $4.5 billion supplemental request for International Affairs spending for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq and the $1.9 billion request for these programs in Haiti, the FY 2011 budget request is actually 0.5% below the likely FY 2010 enacted total.

6. **60% of Budget Increase is War-related.** Of the proposed $6.1 billion increase for the International Affairs Budget, $3.6 billion or 59% of the increase is devoted to the “Frontline States” of Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq.

7. **Modest Increases for Non-War Programs.** Excluding the “Frontline States,” the FY11 increase is $2.5 billion and targeted primarily towards key initiatives – such as global health and food security. These modest rates of growth make it challenging to meet many multi-year commitments for long term development, poverty reduction and economic growth activities.

8. **Strong Bipartisan Support.** In December 247 bipartisan Members of Congress (58 Senators and 189 Representatives) sent a [letter to President Obama](http://www.usglc.org) urging a robust request for the FY11 International Affairs Budget. The letter noted that “These investments are essential to strengthening our national security, building economic prosperity, and protecting the health and safety of all Americans, while demonstrating our moral values and humanitarian principles.”

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9. Other Highlights of the FY11 International Affairs Budget Request:

- **Civilian Capacity Building:** The FY11 Budget funds an additional 528 State Department positions as part of plans to increase the Foreign Service by 25%, and an additional 200 USAID positions moving closer to the commitment to doubling Foreign Service Offices.

- **Defining Authorities between State & DOD:** The FY11 Budget begins to address the Administration’s goal of better defining the roles between military and civilian agencies and shifts three items (Complex Crisis Fund, Iraq Policing, and Pakistan Counterinsurgency Fund) to the State Department.

- **Global Health Initiative:** The $8.5 billion request calls for a 9% increase in global health programs with greater increases for Maternal & Child Health, Nutrition, and Neglected Tropical Diseases, while more modest growth for HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis, and family planning.

- **Food Security:** The $1.76 billion request would meet the President’s 2009 G-8 commitments of $3.3 billion over three years and includes a new $408 million Global Agriculture and Food Security Program at the World Bank.

- **Climate Change:** The $1.39 billion request would boost climate change funding by 40% above FY10, partially fulfilling U.S. pledges made at the Copenhagen Summit in December 2009.

10. Statements Applauding FY11 Budget Request:

**USGLC Honorary Chairman and former Secretary of State Colin Powell:** “We live in a dangerous world and a world of opportunity. Increasing our diplomatic and development resources is absolutely critical and money well spent to deal with the dangers and seize the opportunities. I commend the President for his commitment to these urgently-needed investments in our nation's economic and national security.”

**USGLC Advisory Council Member and former Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge:** “The programs supported by the International Affairs Budget are as essential to our national security as defense programs. Development and diplomacy protect our nation by addressing the root causes of terrorism and conflict. But it’s not just about security. By building new markets overseas for American products, the International Affairs Budget creates jobs and boosts the economy here at home.”

**USGLC Advisory Council Member and former Representative Lee Hamilton:** “Diplomacy and development play an important role in advancing U.S. interests around the globe. For less than two pennies on the budget dollar, our civilian-led tools of global engagement help us tackle the array of challenges facing our nation. To protect our national security and strengthen our economic competitiveness, we need to invest more in these tools. I urge Congress to approve the President's request for the International Affairs Budget.”

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11. Other Statements in Support of Robust International Affairs Funding

- “As I have said for the last two years, I believe that the challenges confronting our nation cannot be dealt with by military means alone. They require instead whole-of-government approaches – but that can only be done if the State Department is given resources befitting the scope of its mission across the globe.” – **Defense Secretary Robert Gates,** Senate Appropriations Committee (April 30, 2009)

- “In the face of formidable global challenges, our success requires a robust State Department and USAID working side-by-side with a strong military. To exercise our global leadership effectively, we need to harness all three Ds – diplomacy, development and defense.” – **Secretary of State Hillary Clinton,** Senate Foreign Relations Committee (May 20, 2009)

- “I think of smart power as the strategic triad of the 21st Century—the integrated blend of defense, diplomacy and development. But this strategic approach will only be effective if all three smart power pillars are coherent, coordinated, and adequately resourced….We must match our military might with a mature diplomatic and development effort worthy of the enormous global challenges facing our nation today.” – **General Michael Hagee,** USMC (Ret.), Testimony before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs (March 18, 2009)

- “For the United States, supporting international development is more than just an expression of our compassion. It is a vital investment in the free, prosperous, and peaceful international order that fundamentally serves our national interest.” – **former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice,** White House Summit on International Development (October 21, 2008)

- “To be clear, all that our military instruments can do in conflict is to create the conditions that would allow the other tools of statecraft – especially our diplomatic and development tools – to be successful. But when those other tools are underfunded, understaffed, and underappreciated, the courageous sacrifice of the men and women in uniform is often wasted.” – **General Anthony Zinni,** USMC (Ret.) and Admiral Leighton Smith, Jr., USN (Ret.), Joint Testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee (March 5, 2008)

- “The Unites States must adequately invest in the International Affairs Budget in order to meet the new and evolving global challenges of the 21st century. These programs provide our country with the ability to respond to fragile situations around the world and help prevent future crises – they should not be shortchanged.” – **former Secretary of State Madeleine Korbel Albright**

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