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**NEWS: Global Fund Approves Third Round of Grants, and Prepares for Round 4**  
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At its board meeting in Chiang Mai, Thailand, on October 15-17, the Global Fund board approved 71 grants that will cost \$623 million over the first two years. (For a complete list of approved and rejected proposals, see "Analysis: Round Three Decisions," below.)

The cost of the approved grants was significantly less than had been expected, and was 30% less than in Round 2. This was for three reasons: fewer proposals than expected were submitted; most of these were modest in size; and a smaller percentage than expected were approved.

The board meeting also agreed that Round 4 will be launched on 10 January 2004, with applications to be submitted by about the end of March and approvals to be made at the board meeting in June. It appears likely that Round 4 will be the only Round in 2004, and it is far from certain that there will be any new Round in 2005, because first priority that year will go to renewing Round 1 and 2 grants.

The board meeting in Chiang Mai went fairly smoothly. Many participants, including from NGOs and developing countries, praised the way in which Chairman Tommy Thompson ran the meeting fairly and efficiently.

The Fund issued the following press release on 16 October:

GLOBAL FUND COMMITS US\$623 MILLION TO NEW GRANTS TO FIGHT AIDS, TB AND MALARIA

Chiang Mai – Meeting in Thailand, the Board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria approved \$623 million in new two-year grants to programs fighting the three diseases. This brings the total amount approved by the Board after three proposal rounds to US\$2.1 billion to 125 countries.

“In less than two years the Global Fund has become a leading force in the fight against these three deadly diseases,” said Tommy G. Thompson, United States Secretary of Health and Human Services and Chair of the Global Fund’s Board. “Working with its partners, the Global Fund is beginning to realize our commitment to prevention and treatment at a global scale.”

To cover the amount recommended for the third round of proposals, the Board committed to fully funding the round by deferring until January 2004 formal confirmation of a portion of proposals totaling \$138 million out of the US\$623 million. Almost all proposals require additional technical clarifications before funds are legally obligated.

In addition, the Board agreed to consider a fourth round of proposals for approval at its meeting in June 2004, with guidelines and proposal forms to be issued in January.

At the Board Meeting, people living with HIV and international partners, including the World Health Organization and UNAIDS, affirmed the health emergency arising from inadequate treatment of HIV. Donors and recipients affirmed the need to make new commitments quickly and agreed on a calendar for the next round.

“At this meeting, Members of the Board worked together towards a common vision of the Global Fund as a major instrument in the world’s fight against these diseases,” said Dr Richard Feachem, the Global Fund’s Executive Director. “Their concerns challenge us to do our work better, and to do more to help the millions in need of support. Agreement by the Board on fully funding Round 3 and quickly launching Round 4 is an important step forward.”

About 60% of the funds approved are targeted at HIV/AIDS, and about the same are destined for Africa. In total, 57% will be awarded to non-governmental partners, who work with governments as part of public-private partnerships called Country Coordinating Mechanisms that develop and submit proposals to the Global Fund. Over the lifetime of the programs (two years with the possibility of renewals for another three years based on performance), they will increase the number of people living with HIV on antiretrovirals by nearly 200,000 and allow for nearly 7 million people to access HIV voluntary counseling and testing services. 18 million insecticide-treated nets to prevent malaria transmission will be purchased with the latest approved funds, and 760,000 treatments will be provided for tuberculosis.

In aggregate, the US\$2.1 billion committed by the Global Fund to date is characterized as follows, with additional information available on the website:

By region: 60% Africa; 20% Asia, Middle East and North Africa; 11% Latin America and the Caribbean; and 9% Eastern Europe.

By disease: 60% HIV/AIDS; 23% malaria; and 17% tuberculosis (with some funds to joint disease proposals).

By expenditure target: 46% drugs & commodities; 25% human resources and training; 15 physical infrastructure; 5% monitoring & evaluation; 4% administrative costs; and 5% other.

By recipient: 50% government; 29% non-governmental and community-based organizations; 5% private sector; 4% faith-based organizations; 3% people living with the diseases; 3% academic institutions; 6% other.

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The Global Fund is a unique cooperative endeavor between private and public partners to advance global public health by improving underlying health systems, by enabling multi-sector strategies and by investing in local capacity – all focused by the urgent need to prevent and treat the three major infectious diseases of our time.

As a partnership of national governments from both donor and developing countries, non-governmental organizations, affected communities, corporations, foundations and international organizations, the Global Fund is well positioned to complement existing domestic, bilateral and multilateral initiatives with a major influx of new finances. As a grant-making organization, the Global Fund has adopted a rigorous, businesslike framework to attract, manage and invest substantial resources in countries and communities where these three diseases have already reached or are threatening to reach epidemic proportions.

[End of press release]

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**COMMENTARY: The Need for Technical Assistance**

by Bernard Rivers

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Long before Round 3 took place, the Secretariat projected that the cost of Years 1-2 of grants approved in Round 3 would be about \$1,600 m., almost double the cost of Round 2. As it turned out, the cost of Round 3 approved grants came to only \$623 m., which is almost 30% \*less\* than in Round 2. This was caused, in part, by the fact that the percentage of proposals recommended by the Technical Review Panel (TRP) for approval went down.

This strongly suggests that the technical merit of proposals being submitted to the Fund is not increasing, and quite possibly is decreasing. Contributory reasons might be that the countries most capable of submitting good applications had already done so in Rounds 1 and 2; that these countries are not yet ready to submit applications for follow-up projects (or don't realize that the Fund is very open to additional proposals being submitted long before earlier projects have been completed); and that some applicants – particularly some NGOs and regional organizations – simply don't understand that the type of application they are submitting has almost no chance of being recommended by the TRP.

Behind every rejected proposal is a sad story. It is not unknown for Ministries of Health almost to come to a halt while they race to complete a Global Fund proposal. There are also sad stories behind countries that have never applied, or that were rejected once and did not try again.

Clearly, therefore, there is a strong need to increase the quality and availability of Technical Assistance to help applicants with deciding whether to apply, with crafting their actual applications to the Fund, and with thinking through the underlying strategy. In addition, as more and more countries get launched on the actual implementation of their Global Fund projects, there is an increasing need for Technical Assistance regarding project relationships (e.g. between Principal Recipient and sub-recipients) and project implementation. Finally, many CCMs are inefficient, and/or are mere extensions of governments. Help is needed to overcome these problems.

The Global Fund is a financing mechanism; it does not have sufficient staffing to provide technical assistance. But it could usefully do more in encouraging multi-lateral and bilateral institutions, NGOs, companies and academic institutions to offer technical assistance to countries that wish to obtain Global Fund financing.

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**ANALYSIS: Round Three Decisions**  
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The following table lists all countries eligible to apply for Global Fund grants. For each country, the table shows the applicant, the components (HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria, or HIV plus TB) for which a Round 3 grant was requested, and the board's decision. Also shown are eligible multi-country applications.

The meanings of Categories 1, 2A, 2B, 3 and 4 are explained at the end of the table.

Afghanistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,439,177

Afghanistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,150,960

Afghanistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$5,941,748

Albania -- CCM did not apply

Algeria -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$6,185,000

Angola -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$19,067,584

Angola -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$25,259,000

Angola -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,184,487

Armenia -- CCM did not apply

Azerbaijan -- CCM did not apply

Bangladesh -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$11,456,195

Bangladesh -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$13,532,089

Bangladesh -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$17,169,684

Barbados -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$9,208,353

Belarus -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$6,818,796

Belize -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,298,884

Benin -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$1,383,931

Bhutan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$412,700

Bhutan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$395,000

Bolivia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$6,019,023

Bolivia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$6,099,563

Bolivia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$2,381,646

Bosnia and Herzegovina -- CCM did not apply

Botswana -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,243,500

Bulgaria -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,013,280

Burkina Faso -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$827,120

Burundi -- CCM did not apply

Cambodia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$14,731,002

Cambodia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,865,042

Cameroon -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$14,641,407

Cameroon -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$16,938,794

Cameroon -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$2,986,220

Cape Verde -- CCM did not apply

Central African Republic -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$7,741,975

Central African Republic -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,687,749

Chad -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$7,380,156

Chad -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$3,028,688

China -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$32,122,550

Colombia -- CCM did not apply

Comoros -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$751,700

Congo (Democratic Rep.) -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$34,799,786

Congo (Democratic Rep.) -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$24,966,676

Congo (Republic) -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$8,242,988

Congo (Republic) -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,325,000

Cote d'Ivoire -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 1) -- 2-year grant: \$1,023,534

Cote d'Ivoire -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$9,855,759

Cote d'Ivoire -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$2,877,316

Cuba -- CCM did not apply

Djibouti -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$5,807,900

Djibouti -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,274,390

Djibouti -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,291,000

Dominican Republic -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$2,034,530

Dominican Republic -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$2,636,816

East Timor -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$967,650

Ecuador -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,565,029

Ecuador -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$5,977,416

Egypt -- CCM did not apply

El Salvador -- CCM did not apply

Equatorial Guinea -- CCM did not apply

Eritrea -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$8,124,910

Eritrea -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,486,180

Ethiopia -- CCM did not apply

Fiji -- CCM did not apply

Gabon -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$3,154,500

Gabon -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,004,778

Gabon -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$604,000

Gambia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$6,241,743

Gambia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$5,665,500

Gambia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$6,220,664

Georgia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$645,700

Ghana -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$16,707,652

Ghana -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$21,921,387

Ghana -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$13,071,408

Guatemala -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$8,423,807

Guinea -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,488,280

Guinea-Bissau -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,129,958

Guinea-Bissau -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,755,057

Guinea-Bissau -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,503,587

Guyana -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$9,486,122

Guyana -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$2,055,675

Haiti -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$7,390,556

Haiti -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 1) -- 2-year grant: \$8,131,836

Honduras -- CCM did not apply

India -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$38,390,000

India -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$2,667,346

India -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$42,883,376

Indonesia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$23,101,000

Iran (Islamic Rep. of) -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$4,000,000

Iran (Islamic Rep. of) -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,299,697

Iraq -- CCM did not apply

Iraq -- Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Integrated  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$9,463,037

Jamaica -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$7,560,365

Jordan -- CCM did not apply

Kazakhstan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$5,393,118

Kenya -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$58,004,104

Kenya -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Integrated  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$25,092,923

Kenya -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,812,250

Kiribati -- CCM did not apply

Korea (Dem. Peoples Rep. of) --  
 Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$3,227,300

Kyrgyzstan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$785,000

Laos -- CCM did not apply

Latvia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Not known  
Rejected (Not eligible)

Latvia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Not known  
Rejected (Not eligible)

Lesotho -- CCM did not apply

Liberia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 1) -- 2-year grant: \$12,140,921

Macedonia (The Former Yugoslav Republic of) --  
Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$4,348,599

Macedonia (Former Yugoslav Rep. of) --  
Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,142,500

Madagascar -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$13,415,118

Madagascar -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$5,232,448

Madagascar -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,681,016

Malawi -- CCM did not apply

Malaysia -- CCM did not apply

Maldives -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,005,100

Mali -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$17,492,950

Marshall Islands -- CCM did not apply

Mauritania -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,445,256

Mexico -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
Rejected (Not eligible)

Micronesia -- CCM did not apply

Moldova -- CCM did not apply

Mongolia -- CCM did not apply

Morocco -- CCM did not apply

Mozambique -- CCM did not apply

Multi-country Africa (AMREF) --  
Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/TB:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$2,566,176

Multi-country Africa (ECSA Health Community Secretariat) --  
Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,077,000

Multi-country Africa (HACI) --  
Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$15,477,500

Multi-country Africa (HPI) --  
Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$21,747,000



Multi-country Africa (IFRCRC) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$51,179,486

Multi-country Africa (IFRCRC) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$7,980,458

Multi-country Africa (MIPESA) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,033,458

Multi-country Africa (Presbyterian Church) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$1,123,580

Multi-country Africa (WorldTeach) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$34,170,415

Multi-country Americas (Andean) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$15,909,000

Multi-country Americas (OECS) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year request: \$2,553,861

Multi-country Americas (PANCAP) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$6,100,900

Multi-country Portuguese speaking --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$12,773,451

Multi-country South East Asia (TROPMED) --  
 Applicant=a regional org.; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,125,894

Myanmar -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$19,221,525

Myanmar -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$9,462,062

Namibia -- CCM did not apply

Nepal -- CCM did not apply

Nicaragua -- CCM did not apply

Niger -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$8,475,297

Niger -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$4,815,109

Niger -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,867,084

Nigeria -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$87,783,683

Pakistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$6,138,487

Pakistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$314,000

Pakistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,548,636

Pakistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$6,768,734

Panama -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$8,075,594

Papua New Guinea -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,290,000

Papua New Guinea -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$6,106,556

Paraguay -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$9,811,763

Paraguay -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,194,902

Peru -- CCM did not apply

Philippines -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$3,496,865

Romania -- CCM did not apply

Russian Federation -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$31,596,308

Russian Federation -- Applicant=a Sub-CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$3,492,841

Russian Federation -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$24,076,047

Russian Federation -- Applicant=a Sub-CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$6,341,210

Russian Federation -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$24,298,048

Rwanda -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$14,890,735

Rwanda -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$13,045,301

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines -- CCM did not apply

Samoa -- CCM did not apply

Sao Tome and Principe -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,139,658

Sao Tome and Principe -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,975,026

Senegal -- CCM did not apply

Serbia -- Applicant=a Sub-CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,909,799

Serbia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 1) -- 2-year grant: \$2,428,986

Sierra Leone -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$10,855,343

Sierra Leone -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,154,607

Slovakia (Slovak Rep.) -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Not eligible)

Solomon Islands -- CCM did not apply

Somalia -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,950,000

Somalia -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$588,000

Somalia -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Approved (Category 1) -- 2-year grant: \$5,601,215

Somalia -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,955,000

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$15,521,456

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$8,553,624

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$23,136,451

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,668,769

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$69,898,308

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$9,062,250

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$30,443,293

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$776,000

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
 Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$5,698,953

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Integrated  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$57,069,854

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$7,688,722

South Africa -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$14,996,075

Sri Lanka -- CCM did not apply

Sudan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$7,842,140

Sudan -- Applicant=a Sub-CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$25,585,580

Sudan -- Applicant=a Sub-CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$18,810,078

Sudan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,993,000

Sudan -- Applicant=a Sub-CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$4,809,284

Suriname -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,188,432

Suriname -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$2,775,330

Swaziland -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,348,400

Syrian Arab Republic -- CCM did not apply

Tajikistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$913,418

Tajikistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,835,399

Tajikistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$1,521,040

Tanzania/Zanzibar -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$959,482

Tanzania -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$3,495,249

Tanzania -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/TB:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$23,951,034

Thailand -- CCM did not apply

Thailand -- Applicant=an NGO; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$911,542

Togo -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$3,479,337

Togo -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$1,752,982

Tonga -- CCM did not apply

Trinidad and Tobago -- CCM did not apply

Tunisia -- CCM did not apply

Turkey -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$6,975,950

Turkey -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$235,150

Turkey -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 4) -- 2-year request: \$1,292,860

Turkmenistan -- CCM did not apply

Uganda -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$70,357,632

Ukraine -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$27,804,760

Uzbekistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Approved (Category 2B) -- 2-year grant: \$5,182,832

Uzbekistan -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$14,639,371

Vanuatu -- CCM did not apply

Vietnam -- Applicant=CCM; Component=Malaria:  
Approved (Category 2A) -- 2-year grant: \$13,388,402

West Bank and Gaza -- CCM did not apply

Yemen -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$5,500,405

Yemen -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$1,073,925

Zambia -- CCM did not apply

Zimbabwe -- Applicant=CCM; Component=HIV/AIDS:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$56,057,370  
 Zimbabwe -- Applicant=CCM; Component=TB:  
 Rejected (Category 3) -- 2-year request: \$6,382,377

The meanings of the Categories are as follows:

- Category 1: Approved proposals for which the Technical Review Panel (TRP) sought no clarifications or only minor ones. Clarifications must be provided within 4 weeks. Final approval of clarifications must be issued by the TRP Chair and/or Vice-Chair.
- Category 2: Approved proposals for which the TRP sought a number of clarifications. Clarifications must be provided within 6 weeks. Any follow-up queries must be answered and finally approved by the TRP within 3 to 4 months. Approval of clarifications must be issued by the TRP Chair and/or Vice-Chair, plus the TRP primary and secondary reviewers.

Note: Proposals assigned to Category 2 were sub-divided into sub-Categories 2A and 2B, based on how many clarifications were needed. All these proposals were approved, but for technical reasons, approval of the Category 2B proposals only takes full effect in January 2004. At a practical level, this difference has no impact. All applicants whose proposals were approved (i.e. whose proposals fell into Categories 1, 2A and 2B) will be asked to answer the clarifications and then to negotiate grant agreements during the remainder of 2003.

- Category 3: Proposals not recommended in their present form, but regarding which applicants are encouraged to submit improved applications in future Rounds.
- Category 4: Proposals not recommended for funding, and regarding which the TRP provides no encouragement that applicants should re-apply in future Rounds.

Further details on all the above grants should be available at [www.aidspace.org](http://www.aidspace.org) in the course of Tuesday October 21.

The table below shows that between Round 2 and Round 3, the percentage of eligible proposals that were approved went down from 43% to 39%, and the dollar value of the approved proposals went down from 41% to 34% of the value of all eligible proposals.

Approval Rates in Rounds 1, 2 and 3

	<b>Number of eligible proposals</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Cost of Years 1-2</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Round 1: Submitted</b>	204	100%	c. \$1,500 m.	100%
<b>Of which, Approved</b>	58	28%	\$578 m.	c. 39%
<b>Round 2: Submitted</b>	229	100%	\$2,137 m.	100%
<b>Of which, Approved</b>	98	43%	\$878 m.	41%
<b>Round 3: Submitted</b>	180	100%	\$1,853 m.	100%
<b>Of which, Approved</b>	71	39%	\$623 m.	34%

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