Title: Direct Aid Program (DAP): Moscow end of year report

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To: Canberra
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References: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

**Response:** Routine, Information Only

Summary: Post supported four DAP projects in 2005-06 with its allocation of AUD 45,000. These were focused in Central

Asia; Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Funding was aimed at poverty alleviation in isolated communities in the areas of health and education. All funding for the period has been acquitted. The post values the DAP program as a

means of establishing local contacts in countries of its non-resident accreditations.

Overall Assessment: Moscow used its DAP allocation of AUD 45,000 effectively. s 33(a)(iii)

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- 9. **Public Diplomacy Aspects:** The projects funded this year have delivered good public diplomacy results. The resource centre in Baetovo Village has painted an Australian flag, alongside the Kyrgyz national emblem and the ARIS logo, on the entrance of its building. Information on Australia has also been posted on its information board. s 22(1)(a)(ii)
- 10. **Project Details:** 1) Kyrgyzstan The post provided AUD 14,078.60 to ARIS to help establish an information and resource centre in the remote mountainous village of Baetovo. The centre has brought internet access and media materials to the village, along with computer programs and office equipment that will allow locals to prepare documentation and access world news without having to travel to the nearest town. The centre was opened officially on 1 July 2006.s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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