I. USAID Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA)

• USAID / OFDA lead and coordinate the U.S. Government's humanitarian assistance efforts overseas.
• The Office responds to an average of 70 disasters in more than 50 countries every year, ensuring that aid reaches people affected by rapid onset disasters.
• USAID / OFDA send a Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) to crisis-affected areas - a team of humanitarian experts and technical advisors identify the most urgent needs.
• A Response Management Team (RMT) is activitated in Washington D.C. to provide leadership and operational support.
• USAID/OFDA can call on other U.S. Government agencies to assist with response efforts, whenever needed.
• USAID/OFDA also collaborate with the U.N., local governments, NGOs, and donor governments to coordinate relief efforts.

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INFO: USAID / OFDA Helping the Caribbean following Tropical Storm Jeanne in 2004
• USAID / OFDA provided more than $13 million in humanitarian aid to Grenada, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic and the Bahamas for vital humanitarian relief and emergency resources.
• President George W. Bush also submitted a request to Congress for $50 million in supplemental funding for reconstruction efforts in the Caribbean
• A total of 11 airlifts had been conducted to affected areas of the Caribbean carrying emergency relief supplies.

II. Caribbean Basin Security Initiative Technical Assistance Field Team

This team is comprised of U.S. Coast Guard and Army engineers, technicians, specialists, and logisticians. The team operates under the tactical control of U.S. Southern Command. This team supports disaster response missions, as well as other coastal-security operations.

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