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PRESS RELEASE

USAID SWEARS IN NEW MISSION DIRECTOR FOR BANGLADESH

DHAKA, JULY 2011 -- Richard Greene was sworn in as the new Mission Director for Bangladesh for the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). USAID Administrator Rajiv Shah administered the oath.

As Mission Director for Bangladesh, Greene will oversee one of the largest USAID development assistance programs in the world in terms of funding and staff size. Currently, U.S. assistance to Bangladesh includes support for free, fair, and credible elections and more transparent and accountable governance; support for a better educated, healthier, and more productive population; and resources to increase economic opportunities through equitable economic growth, improved food security, and disaster mitigation.

Prior to being named as Mission Director, Greene served as the Director of the Office of Health, Infectious Diseases, and Nutrition in USAID's Bureau for Global Health since 2003. Greene previously served in Bangladesh as Deputy Chief of USAID's Office of Population, Health, and Nutrition from 1994 to 1999. He also has served in Cameroon, Burkina Faso, and Sudan.

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