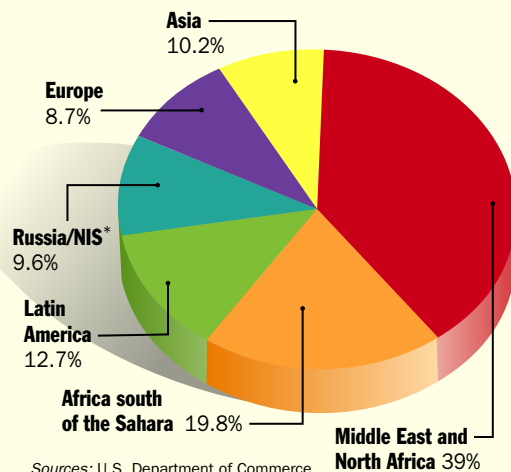




## U.S. Foreign Aid Principal Recipients By Region, 1997



Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce,  
Statistical Abstract of the United States:  
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\*NIS: Newly independent  
states of the former  
Soviet Union.

### Critical Thinking

The United States spent over \$9 billion in foreign aid during the 1997 fiscal year.

**What government body or agency appropriates funds for foreign aid?**