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## Website for East Tennessee International Commerce Council

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## SENIOR PROJECT - APPROVAL

Name: Serenity Heegel  
College: Business Administration Department: Logistics + Transportation  
Arts + Sciences Department: Language and World Business

Faculty Mentor: Winkie Ilic

PROJECT TITLE: Website for East Tennessee  
International Commerce Council

I have reviewed this completed senior honors thesis with this student and certify that it is a project commensurate with honors level undergraduate research in this field.

Signed: Murcia Heegel, Faculty Mentor

Date: July 5, 2000

Comments (Optional):

Student: Serenity Heegel  
Faculty Mentor: Winkie Ilic  
Project: Website for the East Tennessee International Commerce Council

My senior project was to help develop the research portion of a website made for members of the East Tennessee Commerce Council; the sub-sections were NAFTA, International Trade Services, and mine was International Business Services. Other students did the frame of the site and other links. In designing the website, I had to put myself in the shoes of a business that knew relatively nothing about doing business internationally. Many small local businesses have never even bought parts internationally much less try to sell their product. Starting from this viewpoint, I came up with the following categories of information and used them for my site:

- Importing and Exporting
- Global Issues
- Business Travel
- Helpful Agencies
- Regional and Commodity Research

Working on this project made me aware of how to build a website and of how much information on international businesses is out there on the net. With the rapidly increasing trend of the globalization of everything from sports to the media to business, these skills I have learned are invaluable. My work can be found on the Internet at: [www.kornnet.org/~eticc/](http://www.kornnet.org/~eticc/) under the heading of International Business Services.



# East Tennessee International Commerce Council

*Your link to international business networking  
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# International Business Services

## Importing and Exporting

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## Importing and Exporting

How do I start exporting?- some tips

US Customs- procedures, requirements, regulations, harmonized tariff schedule, trade statistics.

http://pro-net.sba.gov- procurement and marketing access network

International Trade Center's Export Programs licenses, financing, trade contacts, industry and regional advice

Commercial Services of the US Department of Commerce a comprehensive site including numerous links to others like it including market research, export assistance, and promotion assistance

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## Business Travel

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## Agencies

US Department of Commerce information about international trade

US Small Business Administration how to start, expand, and internationalize your business

US Customs contacts, business travel, imports/exports

International Monetary Fund news, publications, exchange rates, standards

US Agency for International Development education, environment, regions, health, economic growth

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International Trade Administration trade leads, import/export, customs

UN Homepage a comprehensive resource for international trade. includes links to many other helpful organizations.

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Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) find out how to protect your foreign investments in developing countries

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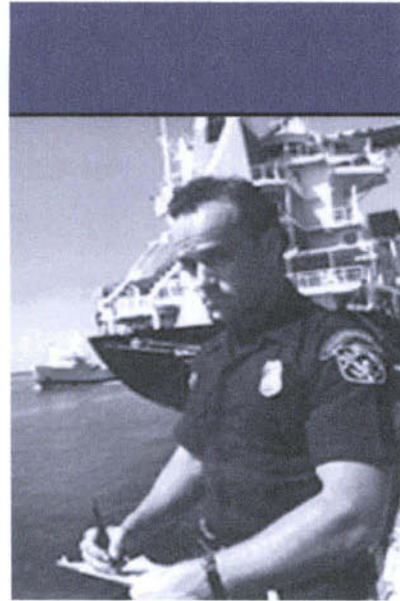
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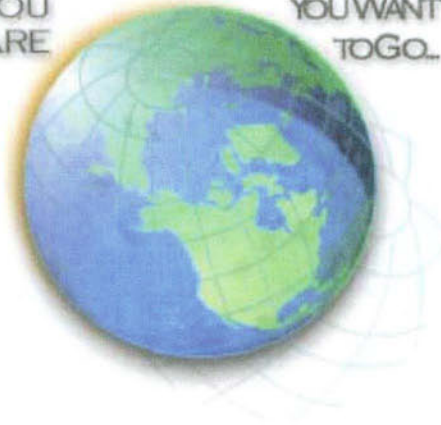
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### **[Preventing Famine in the Horn of Africa](#)**

The east African region known as the Horn of Africa is currently facing a humanitarian crisis of serious proportions. Almost 16 million people could experience serious food shortages this year because of drought in the countries of Ethiopia, Eritrea, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan and Uganda. Find out more about the USAID efforts to prevent famine in the Horn of Africa and how you can help.

### **[1999 Agency Performance Report](#)**

This review of USAID's 1999 world-wide achievements and challenges was ranked number 1 in a [government-wide survey](#). A related publication, the [1999 Agency Accountability Report](#), is also available for download. This report reviews USAID's financial statements, and highlights of USAID's performance and the effectiveness of its programs. Both reports are presented in Adobe Acrobat.

### **[USAID's FY2001 Budget Request](#)**

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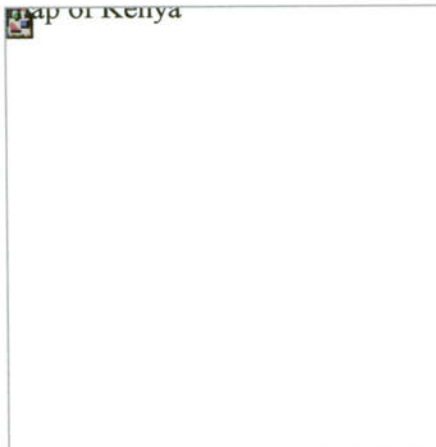


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### Today's Features



#### [Secretary Glickman Tours Kenya](#)

Secretary Glickman meets today in Nairobi with a number of Kenyan officials including President Daniel Arap Moi; the Minister of Trade, Industry and Tourism; the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development; the Wildlife Services Director; business and agribusiness leaders; a visits a community Self-Help Program, and the AIDS Center for Orphans and Primary School Children.

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### Secretary Glickman's Activities



*USDA Deputy Secretary Richard Rominger, Forest Service Chief Mike Dombeck and Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment Jim Lyons brief reporters on the status of fire fighting efforts in the Western U.S.*

#### [Glickman Sends Additional Resources to Fight Forest Fires](#)

WASHINGTON, August 2, 2000 -- Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman today outlined steps the Forest Service is taking to fight forest fires ranging in California, Colorado, Idaho, Arizona, and other western states and warned that the threat of new fires remains extreme.

"We have activated all available resources to ensure that we protect lives and property as we deal with one of the worst fire seasons in many years," Glickman said. "We have more than 15,000 people fighting fires right now and we are working with the military, eastern states, and Canada to get additional fire-fighting resources."

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[Glickman to Visit Nigeria, Kenya and South Africa](#)

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman will lead a week-long trip to Nigeria, Kenya, and South Africa to discuss and learn more about hunger, infrastructure, and health care issues facing Africa today, while promoting agricultural trade, food security and democratic transformation.

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WASHINGTON, August 1, 2000 -- The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced a new effort to help sugar beet and sugar cane farmers deal with low prices caused by an excess of domestic sugar.

The Payment-In-Kind program offers sugar beet farmers the choice of exchanging their crop for sugar held by USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). Farmers can bid for this sugar by offering to divert acres from production. Farmers are limited to \$20,000 in PIK payments.

[Farmers Market on the Rise](#)

WASHINGTON, August 1, 2000 -- Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced that a record number of farmers markets are operating in the United States - a total of 2,863 seasonal or year-round markets, reflecting a 63 percent increase from 1994 to 2000. Sales are estimated to exceed \$1 billion annually, with most of the money going directly to small family farmers. Glickman also released the newly published 2000 edition of USDA's National Directory of Farmers Markets. The 272-page directory is an informative resource for farmers, operators, consumers, and the general public. The directory provides a listing of farmers markets nationwide, arranged by states, with locations, hours of operation, and contact information, and points out markets that accept food stamps and other food assistance coupons.

[China Agrees to Import U.S. Tobacco and Potatoes](#)

Washington, August 1, 2000--Following a bilateral meeting with China's agricultural officials, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced today that China is expected to adopt a regulation allowing the importation of U.S. tobacco and will begin the review process to allow the importation of U.S. potatoes from Alaska, Washington, and Oregon.

Chinese officials have agreed to return to the United States Aug. 25 to review U.S. tobacco fields with USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. A regulation allowing the importation of U.S. tobacco is scheduled to be in place by Nov. 30.



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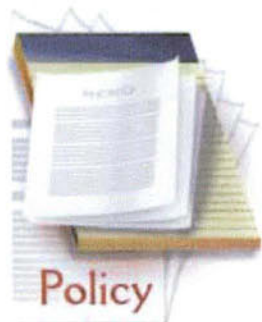
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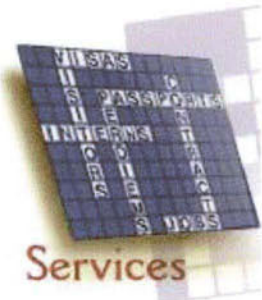


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#### DG Moore welcomes G-8 statement on new trade round



Director-General Mike Moore, on 23 July 2000, welcomed the G-8's call for a round of trade negotiations to start this year. He said "it is through a round that our organization can achieve a balanced agreement that enables us to tackle the many problems and concerns affecting the world's citizens".

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## Business-UN compact could be at take-off point

New York, 26 July 2000

Writing in the International Herald Tribune, ICC Secretary General Maria Livanos Cattai gives the business view on the Global Compact with the United Nations.

## WHO hails the role of business in polio eradication

Geneva, 24 July 2000

The World Health Organization (WHO) has paid tribute to the corporate sponsors of its efforts to eradicate polio.

## New business and environment website goes online

Paris, 18 July 2000

ICC has introduced a website about business, the environment and sustainable development.

## UN body commends Incoterms 2000

Paris, 18 July 2000

The United Nations has recommended worldwide use of Incoterms 2000, ICC's standard trade definitions, in international trade transactions.

## CD-ROM makes Incoterms simple

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Users of Incoterms 2000 can now find everything they need to know about these essential trade terms thanks to ICC's new Incoterms 2000 Multimedia Expert CD-ROM.

## Business wants G7 leaders to make new trade round their top priority

Tokyo, 10 July 2000

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