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## PRESS RELEASE

### **USAID and Petrovec Municipality Renovate Bratstvo Edinstvo Primary School**

On April 7, 2011, students and teachers in Sredno Konjare celebrated the successful completion of the Bratstvo Edinstvo Primary School renovation project, together with representatives of USAID and Petrovec municipality. The renovation was part of the USAID Primary Education Project that has supported renovations of nearly one-third of the primary schools in Macedonia. The Government of the Kingdom of Norway also provided support for the renovation at Bratstvo Edinstvo.

"School renovations are only a part of how the United States is working to improve education in Macedonia" said USAID Senior Education Specialist, Lela Jakovlevska. "We have been working on improving the *quality* of instruction through training teachers in new teaching methodologies, good assessment practices and ICT integration in the classroom. Our objective is to see improved learning outcomes of the Macedonian children."

PEP's renovation component supports the creation of better learning environments and decentralization of the responsibility for school facilities to municipal governments. The project also works to increase access to and use of information technology and to improve the quality of math and science education in Macedonia's primary schools. PEP works with all public primary schools in Macedonia.

#### NOTE TO EDITORS:

The American people, through USAID, have invested over \$500 million in Macedonia since 1993. USAID is implementing projects that create jobs, reduce corruption, and prepare Macedonian students for the workforce. These initiatives improve the quality of life and support Macedonia's transition to a stable and prosperous democracy. USAID provides economic and humanitarian assistance in more than 100 countries. For more information please visit <http://macedonia.usaid.gov>.