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This thesis examines the procurement, distribution and effectiveness of aid that has been given to Afghanistan over the past 10 years. Following the argument of Carles Boix, the examination of these three areas one will be able to see if Afghanistan is on the path to becoming a democratic state. There are several factors which affect a country becoming a democratic state: economic growth, involvement of various actors, and internal/external conflicts of the country. This paper focuses these factors along with economic growth that is encouraged by aid.

Aid has been flowing in to stabilize and secure the country in hopes of encouraging it to become a democratic state. This thesis focuses on the last ten years and the 10 major conferences held to determine the most efficient ways to secure, stabilize, and develop economic growth in Afghanistan. It especially looks at the aid awarded to the agricultural sector of Afghanistan and determines whether there has been a positive impact on economic growth.