# SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

Agreement Between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and the EUROPEAN UNION Extending the Agreement of December 5, 1997

As Extended and Amended

Effected by Exchange of Notes at Brussels and Washington April 28 and June 12, 2014



#### NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pursuant to Public Law 89—497, approved July 8, 1966 (80 Stat. 271; 1 U.S.C. 113)—

"...the Treaties and Other International Acts Series issued under the authority of the Secretary of State shall be competent evidence... of the treaties, international agreements other than treaties, and proclamations by the President of such treaties and international agreements other than treaties, as the case may be, therein contained, in all the courts of law and equity and of maritime jurisdiction, and in all the tribunals and public offices of the United States, and of the several States, without any further proof or authentication thereof."

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### COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION GENERAL SECRETARIAT

### NOTE VERBALE

The General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union presents its compliments to the United States Mission to the European Union and, on behalf of the President of the Council, has the honour to refer to the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America, signed at Washington on 5 December 1997 (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), as extended on 14 October 2003 and extended and amended on 14 October 2008 and, in particular, to Article 12(b) of the Agreement.

The General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union further has the honour to notify the United States Mission of the adoption, by the Council, of its decision approving the extension to the Agreement, for an additional period of five years, effective as from 14 October 2013.

The General Secretariat of the Council proposes that this Note Verbale and a Note in reply from the United States shall constitute the mutual written agreement between the European Community and the Government of United States of America to extend the Agreement for an additional period of five years, effective as from 14 October 2013, which shall enter into force on the date the General Secretariat of the Council is in receipt of the United States' Note in reply.

The General Secretariat of the Council wishes to notify the Mission that "as a consequence of the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon on 1 December 2009, the European Union has replaced and succeeded the European Community and from that date exercises all rights and assumes all obligations of the European Community. Therefore, references to 'the European Community' in the text of the Agreement are, where appropriate, to be read as to 'the European Union'."

The General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United States Mission to the European Union the expression of its highest consideration.

Brussels, 28 April 2014



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The Department of State refers to Note Verbale No. SGS14/05441 of April 28, 2014, from the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union (hereinafter referred to as the "Note Verbale"), notifying the Department of the Council's decision to approve the extension of the Agreement for Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Government of the United States of America and the European Community signed at Washington on December 5, 1997, as extended and amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement").

The Department, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, hereby accepts the proposal of the General Secretariat. Consequently, the Note Verbale, and this Note in reply, shall constitute an agreement to extend the Agreement for an additional period of five years with effect from October 14, 2013, which shall enter into force on the date that the General Secretariat receives this Note. The Department further acknowledges the notification contained in the Note Verbale, which reads "as a consequence of the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon on 1 December 2009, the European Union has replaced and succeeded the European Community and from that date exercises all rights and assumes all obligations of the European Community. Therefore, references to the 'Buropean Community' in the text of the Agreement are, where appropriate, to be read as the 'European Union'." The Department confirms that it shares the understanding that all references to the 'European Community' in the text of the Agreement are to be read as the 'European Union."

Department of State,

Washington, June 12, 2014.

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