

SPACE

**Agreement Between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and GERMANY**

**Amending and Extending the
Memorandum of Understanding
of January 31 and February 10, 2014**

Signed at Potsdam and Washington
February 23 and March 15, 2022

Entered into force March 15, 2022



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.”

**AMENDMENT
OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE GERMAN RESEARCH CENTRE FOR GEOSCIENCES
OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY
FOR COOPERATION ON
THE GRAVITY RECOVERY AND CLIMATE EXPERIMENT FOLLOW-ON MISSION**

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration of the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as "NASA") and the German Research Centre for Geosciences of the Federal Republic of Germany (hereinafter referred to as "GFZ"), hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties" or individually as "Party";

Desiring to continue their successful cooperation under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Parties for cooperation on the Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment Follow-On (GRACE-FO) Mission that was signed at Washington and Potsdam on January 31 and February 10, 2014, and entered into force on February 10, 2014;

Hereby agree, in accordance with Article 24 (Amendments), to amend the MOU as follows:

i. Article 9 (Points of Contacts) of the MOU shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

**Article 9
Points of Contact**

For programmatic or scientific questions, the appropriate points of contact are shown below.

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Any change in a Party's respective contact information will be communicated in writing to the other Party.

2. Article 25 (Entry Into Force, Duration, and Termination) of the MOU shall be amended by deleting the first two sentences in their entirety and replacing them with the following:

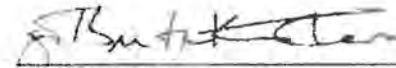
"This MOU shall enter into force on the date of last signature by the Parties and shall remain in force through December 31, 2026."

This Amendment shall enter into force on the date of last signature by the Parties.

Done in duplicate in the English language.

FOR THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS
AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FOR THE GERMAN RESEARCH CENTER
FOR GEOSCIENCES



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Prof. Dr. N. Hövius Dr. S. Schwartze
Executive Board

WASHINGTON, DC
Place

Potsdam
Place

15 MARCH 2022
Date

23/02/2022
Date