## SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION

Agreement Between the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and CHINA

Extending the Agreement of January 31, 1979, as amended and extended

Effected by Exchange of Notes at Washington February 22 and 27, 2024

Entered into force February 27, 2024 With effect from February27, 2024



### 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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## CE 22/24

The Embassy of the People's Republic of China presents its compliments to the Department of State of the United States of America and refers to the Department's Note dated February 22, 2024, concerning a proposal to extend for six months the Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America on Cooperation in Science and Technology, signed at Washington on January 31, 1979, as amended and extended (the "Agreement") which note reads as follows:

"The Department of State refers the Embassy of the People's Republic of China to the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the People's Republic of China on Science and Technology Cooperation, signed at Washington on January 31, 1979, as amended and extended (the "Agreement"), which is set to expire on February 27, 2024.

Considering science and technology cooperation to be an important field in which to strengthen the bilateral relationship, and in recognition of Article 11 of the Agreement, which provides that the Agreement "may be modified or extended by mutual agreement of the Parties," the Department of State proposes that the two governments agree to extend the Agreement for an additional six (6) month period, effective from February 27, 2024.

Both countries intend to continue negotiations to amend and extend the Agreement within the extended period of six months of the Agreement.

If the Government of the People's Republic of China considers this proposal acceptable, the Department further proposes that this note and the Embassy's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the People's Republic of China to extend the Agreement for a further period of six months, with effect from February 27, 2024, which shall enter into force on the date of the Embassy's note."

The Embassy confirms that the Government of the People's Republic of China agrees with the proposal contained in the Department's Note Verbale and that the Department's note and this Note in reply shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America to extend the Agreement for a further period of six months, effective from February 27, 2024, which shall enter into force on the date of this note.



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Washington, February 22, 2024.