

MFA No. 01/084

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Embassy of the United States of America

Moscow, August 24, 2001



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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to confirm that the note of the Embassy MFA #01/084 dated August 24, 2001, of the following content has been received:

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The Ministry has the honor to inform you that the Government of the Russian Federation agrees to consider the referenced note of the Embassy and the present note as the constituents of the Agreement between the Governments of the Russian Federation and the United States of America on a five-year period extension of the Agreement between the Governments of the United States of America and the Russian Federation concerning the Procedures for the Customs Documentation and Duty-free Entry of Goods Transported within the Framework of U.S.-Russian Cooperation in the Exploration and Use of Space for Peaceful Purposes, signed in Moscow on December 16, 1994, which shall enter into force on the date of the present note.

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Moscow, May 23, 2002

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation