

Status of

**AGREEMENT
AMONG THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA,
GOVERNMENTS OF MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY,
THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN,
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION,
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CONCERNING COOPERATION ON THE
CIVIL INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION**

Signed at Washington on January 29, 1998 *

<i>STATE</i>	<i>Date of Deposit of Instrument of Ratification, Acceptance (A), Approval (AA), or Accession (a)</i>	<i>Date of Entry into force</i>
<i>Member States of the European Space Agency **</i>		
Kingdom of Belgium	February 21, 2006	February 21, 2006
Kingdom of Denmark	August 25, 2000	June 28, 2005
French Republic ¹	November 30, 2004 (AA)	June 28, 2005
Federal Republic of Germany	January 19, 2000	June 28, 2005
Italian Republic	March 29, 2001 ³	June 28, 2005
Kingdom of the Netherlands	February 11, 2000 (A) ²	June 28, 2005
Kingdom of Norway	May 13, 1999 (A)	June 28, 2005
Kingdom of Spain	October 1, 1999	June 28, 2005
Kingdom of Sweden	January 30, 2002	June 28, 2005
Swiss Confederation	August 28, 2000	June 28, 2005
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		
Government of Canada	July 24, 2000	March 27, 2001
Government of Japan	November 17, 1998 (A)	March 27, 2001
Government of the Russian Federation	March 27, 2001	March 27, 2001
Government of the United States of America	November 19, 1998 (A)	March 27, 2001

* This Agreement entered into force on the date on which the last instrument of ratification, acceptance, or approval of Japan, Russia and the United States was deposited in accordance with Art. 25(3a) of the Agreement.

** The Agreement entered into force for the European Partner following receipt by the depositary of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval, or accession from at least four European signatory or acceding States, and, in addition, a formal notification by the Chairman of the ESA Council, in accordance with Art. 25(3b) of the Agreement.

1. Signature by the French Republic was accompanied by the following Declaration:

"Le Gouvernement de la République Française interprète l'article 15 de l'accord intergouvernemental sur la coopération relative à la station spatiale internationale civile, notamment ses paragraphes 2 et 4, dans le sens que sa participation, en tant qu'Etat partenaire européen, aux activités et coûts communs d'exploitation des systèmes, ne pourra être supérieure au montant déterminé par ses procédures budgétaires nationales."

Department of State translation:

The Government of the French Republic interprets Article 15 of the Intergovernmental Agreement concerning Cooperation on the Civil International Space Station, and in particular paragraphs 2 and 4 thereof, to mean that its participation, as a European Partner State, in common systems operations costs and activities may not exceed the amount determined by its national budgetary procedure.

2. Acceptance by the Kingdom of the Netherlands is for the Kingdom in Europe.
3. Ratification by Italy was accompanied by the following statement:

"For the purposes of intellectual property protection pursuant to paragraph 2 of article 21, any activity performed within or on a flight element of the space station that concern elements deposited by ESA are to be considered as having been performed on Italian Territory".

[Unofficial translation provided by the Embassy of Italy.]

Department of State,
Washington, May 15, 2012.