

**PROTOCOL
TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
CONCERNING THE SAFE AND SECURE
TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE AND DESTRUCTION OF
WEAPONS AND THE PREVENTION OF WEAPONS
PROLIFERATION**

The United States of America and the Russian Federation, hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

In conformity with Article XIV of the Agreement between the United States of America and the Russian Federation concerning the Safe and Secure Transportation, Storage and Destruction of Weapons and the Prevention of Weapons Proliferation, signed in Washington on June 17, 1992 (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement"),

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The duration of the Agreement is extended from June 17, 1999, for seven years.

Article 2

1. In Article I (a) of the Agreement, after the words "and other weapons", add the words "and chemical weapons production facilities".

2. Article III of the Agreement shall read as follows: "Each Party shall designate an Executive Agent to implement this Agreement. For the United States of America, the Executive Agent shall be the Department of Defense of the United States of America. For the Russian Federation, the Executive Agents with respect to nuclear weapons shall be the Russian Federation Ministry of Atomic Energy and the Russian Federation Ministry of Defense; with respect to the elimination of strategic offensive arms and chemical weapons production facilities, the Executive Agent shall be the Russian Federation Ministry of Economics; with respect to the elimination of stockpiles of chemical weapons, the Executive Agent shall be the Russian Federation Ministry of Defense."

Article 3

"Aircraft and vessels other than regularly scheduled commercial aircraft and vessels, used by the United States of America", as referred to in Article V (2) of the Agreement, shall mean official government aircraft and vessels of the United States of America.

Article 4

The provisions of Article IX of the Agreement, taking into account established practice, shall apply only to military and civilian governmental personnel of the United States of America located in the territory of the Russian Federation for activities related to the Agreement, and shall not extend to contractors of the United States Government.

Article 5

The provisions of Article X (2) of the Agreement relating to the import and export of goods or services under the projects that are

being carried out on the basis of the Agreement mean that such goods and services shall be exempt from license fees and other similar charges, but not from the procedures called for by the export control system.

Article 6

The provisions of Article XIII, taking into account established practice, shall be implemented in accordance with procedures to be agreed upon by the Parties' Executive Agents.

Article 7

This Protocol shall be applied provisionally from the date of signature and shall enter into force on the date of the last written notification that the Parties have fulfilled the national procedures required for its entry into force.

Done in duplicate in the English and Russian languages at Moscow and WASHINGTON, DC this 15th + 16th day of JUNE 1999, both texts being equally authentic.

**FOR THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA:**

**FOR THE RUSSIAN
FEDERATION:**

