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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Chile and has the honor to refer to the Basic Agreement Relating to Scientific and Technological Cooperation signed on May 14, 1992, as extended, which expires on June 30, 2006, and proposes to extend it for five more years, until June 30, 2011.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Chile, the Embassy of the United States of America further proposes that this note and the note containing the favorable response of the Government of the Republic of Chile shall constitute an extension of the aforementioned Agreement, which shall enter into force on June 30, 2006.

Additionally, in conjunction with the extension of the aforementioned Agreement, the Embassy of the United States of America presents the enclosed Joint Statement. The Government of the United States of America further proposes that the signing of this statement by the Embassy of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Chile shall constitute the enactment of the aforementioned statement.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Chile the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,
Santiago, June 27, 2006.



REPUBLIC OF CHILE
Ministry of Foreign Relations

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The Ministry of Foreign Relations – Special Policy Directorate – presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to refer to its Note dated June 27, 2006, in which it proposes to extend the duration of the Basic Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation – signed originally between both Governments on May 14, 1992, and in accordance with previous extensions, expires on the 30th of the current month – until June 30, 2011.

The Ministry of Foreign Relations – Special Policy Directorate – considers the preceding proposal to be acceptable and expresses its approval for the mentioned extension to operate during a term of five more years, that is, until June 30, 2011. Likewise, it states that it agrees to the proposed formula that the exchange of these Notes should constitute an expression of the intention of both Governments to improve the extension of the mentioned Agreement, and that it should enter into force on June 30, 2006.

Likewise, the Ministry states that it has acknowledged the terms of the Joint Statement attached to the Note mentioned above, which is returned duly signed as a token of acceptance.

The Ministry of Foreign Relations – Special Policy Directorate – avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest and most distinguished consideration.

SANTIAGO, June 28, 2006.

HONORABLE EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA