

**SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION**

**Earth Sciences**

**Agreement Between the  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and the REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

Amending the Memorandum of  
Understanding of March 5, 2002, as  
Amended and Extended

Signed at Reston and Seoul October 4, 2011



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.”

**REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

**Scientific Cooperation: Earth Sciences**

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of March 5, 2002, as amended and extended.  
Signed at Reston and Seoul October 4, 2011;  
Entered into force October 4, 2011.*

PROPOSED MOU EXTENSION

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AGREEMENT  
TO AMEND THE  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN THE  
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
AND THE  
KOREA INSTITUTE OF GEOSCIENCE AND MINERAL RESOURCES  
OF THE  
MINISTRY OF KNOWLEDGE AND ECONOMY  
OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF KOREA  
CONCERNING  
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION  
IN THE  
EARTH SCIENCES, AS EXTENDED

The United States Geological Survey (hereinafter "USGS") of the Department of the Interior of the United States of America and the Korea Institute of Geoscience and Mineral Resources of the Ministry of Science and Technology the Republic of Korea (hereinafter "KIGAM") (hereinafter "Party" or "Parties"):

Noting the mutually beneficial cooperation that has taken place pursuant to the 2002 Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Scientific and Technical Cooperation in the Earth Sciences, as amended (hereinafter the "MOU"); .

Hereby agree to amend the MOU as follows:

1. ARTICLE II shall be amended to read:

ARTICLE II. COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Forms of Cooperation under the Memorandum may consist, without limitation, of exchanges of technical information, visits, training, and cooperative research consistent with ongoing programs of the Parties. Specific areas of cooperation may include, but are not limited to, such areas of mutual interest as:

- A. Earth-science investigation-hazards, resources, and environment;
- B. Mineral resources evaluation;
- C. Geospatial data applications;
- D. Water resources and other hydrologic investigations; and
- E. Information systems.

2. ARTICLE IX shall be amended to read:

ARTICLE IX. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND TERMINATION

- 1. This Memorandum shall enter into force upon signature by both Parties. It may be terminated at any time by either Party upon ninety (90) days' prior written notice to the other Party. Unless otherwise agreed, the termination of this Memorandum shall not affect the validity or duration of projects under this Memorandum that are initiated prior to such termination.
- 2. The Annexes of the Agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Korea relating to Scientific and Technical Cooperation ("S&T Agreement"), signed July 2, 1999, as extended, on intellectual property and security obligations are hereby incorporated by reference and shall remain applicable to this Memorandum regardless of whether the S&T Agreement remains in force.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature by both Parties.

Done at Reston and Seoul, in duplicate, in the English language.

FOR THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE  
INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA:



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October 4, 2011

FOR THE KOREA INSTITUTE OF  
GEOSCIENCE AND MINERAL RESOURCES  
OF THE MINISTRY OF KNOWLEDGE AND  
ECONOMY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA:



Dr. Lee Hyo Sook  
President

October 4, 2011