

**AGREEMENT****Renewing the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America**

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (hereinafter the Community),

of the one part, and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

of the other part,

hereinafter referred to as the 'Parties',

CONSIDERING the importance of science and technology for their economic and social development,

RECOGNISING that the Community and the United States of America are pursuing research and technological activities in a number of areas of common interest, and that participation in each other's research and development activities on a basis of reciprocity will provide mutual benefits,

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America, which was signed in Washington on 5 December 1997 and which will expire on 13 October 2003,

DESIRING to pursue their cooperation in science and technology in the formal framework established by the Agreement,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The Agreement for scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America, which was signed in Washington on 5 December 1997 and will expire on 13 October 2003, is hereby renewed for an additional period of five years.

*Article 2*

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Parties have notified each other in writing that their respective internal procedures necessary for its entry into force have been completed.

*Article 3*

This Agreement is drawn up in duplicate in the Danish, Dutch, English, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish and Swedish languages, each of these texts being equally authentic.

*For the European Community*

*For the Government  
of the United States  
of America*

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