AGREEMENT BETWEEN

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES TO EXTEND THE

"Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences on Cooperation in Science and Technology" signed March 24, 1999

The Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences (hereafter referred to as the "Parties"),

Having regard to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Energy of the United States of America and the Russian Academy of Sciences on Cooperation in Science and Technology signed March 24, 1999 (hereinafter "the MOU"),

Noting the highly valuable and successful scientific cooperation between the two Parties during the past five years under the MOU,

Desiring to continue joint projects within the framework of the MOU to strengthen the scientific and technological potential of the Parties,

Noting that Paragraph 1 of Article VII of the MOU provides for the extension of the MOU by written agreement of the Parties,

Have agreed as follows:

The term of the MOU is extended for five years until March 24, 2009, unless terminated prior to this date in accordance with Paragraph 3, Article VII of the MOU.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature.

Jun Aluskan

Done at Washington this 2 day of December 9003

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