

SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

Earth Sciences

**Agreements Between the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and ICELAND**

Amending and Extending the Memorandum of
Understanding of January 28 and April 9, 1982
As Amended and Extended

Signed at Reston and Reykjavik June 9 and
July 8, 1999

and

Signed at Reykjavik and Reston March 25 and
April 12, 2007



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.”

ICELAND

Scientific Cooperation: Earth Sciences

*Agreements amending and extending the memorandum of understanding
of January 28 and April 9, 1982, as amended and extended.*

Signed at Reston and Reykjavik June 9 and July 8, 1999;

Entered into force July 8, 1999.

And signed at Reykjavik and Reston March 25 and April 12, 2007;

Entered into force April 12, 2007.

TO AMEND AND EXTEND THE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING,
OF JANUARY 28 AND APRIL 9, 1982,
AS AMENDED AND EXTENDED
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
CONCERNING
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN
EARTH SCIENCES

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for scientific and technical cooperation in earth sciences between the United States Geological Survey (USGS) of the Department of the Interior of the United States of America and the National Research Council (Rannsóknarad Ríkisins "RR") of Iceland (The Parties), was signed by the Rannsóknarad Ríkisins January 28, 1982, and by the USGS April 9, 1982. The MOU was extended for another 8-year period, effective April 9, 1990, under the purview of the Icelandic Council of Science (ICS). During that time, the Parties have cooperated in the exchange of technical knowledge and augmentation of technical capabilities in the areas of earth resources and geological, geophysical, and hydrological phenomena. The current MOU will include biology and biological technical developments. The cooperation includes exchange of information and expertise, and joint studies of mutual interest in such areas.

The Parties agree that this cooperation has been beneficial to both organizations, and that the MOU should be amended as follows:

1. Extend the MOU for another 8-year period, effective April 9, 1998;
2. Amend the title of the MOU to read:

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL
SURVEY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA AND THE ICELANDIC RESEARCH COUNCIL (RANNSOKNARAD
ISLANDS) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(MENNTAMALARADUNEYTIÐ) OF THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND FOR
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN EARTH SCIENCES; and

3. Amend the MOU by replacing the Icelandic Council of Science (ICS) with The Icelandic Research Council (RANNIS).

Done at Reston and Reykjavik in the English language.

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

FOR THE ICELANDIC RESEARCH
COUNCIL (RANNSOKNARAD
ISLANDS) UNDER THE MINISTRY
OF EDUCATION
(MENNTAMALARADUNEYTIÐ
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ICELAND:



Signature



Signature

Charles G. Groat

Name

Vilhjalmur Lúðvíksson

Name

Director

Title

Director

Title

JUNE 9, 1999

Date

July 8, 1999

Date

AGREEMENT
TO AMEND AND EXTEND THE
THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE ICELANDIC RESEARCH COUNCIL (RANNSOKNARAD ISLANDS)
UNDER THE
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE
(MENNTAMALARADUNEYTIÐ) OF THE
REPUBLIC OF ICELAND
FOR
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN
EARTH SCIENCES, AS AMENDED AND EXTENDED

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Scientific and Technical Cooperation in Earth Sciences between the United States Geological Survey (USGS) of the Department of the Interior of the United States of America and the Icelandic Centre for Research (ICR) (Rannsóknamiðstöð Islands) of the Republic of Iceland, (the Parties) was originally signed by the Rannsóknarad Ríkisins, January 28, 1982, and by the USGS April 9, 1982. The MOU was amended and extended for 8 years, effective April 9, 1990, and again, effective April 9, 1998. During this time, the Parties have cooperated in the exchange of technical knowledge and augmentation of technical capabilities in the areas of Earth resources and geological, geophysical, and hydrological phenomena. The cooperation includes exchange of information and expertise, and joint studies of mutual interest in such areas.

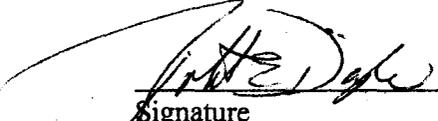
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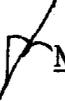
1. Extend the MOU for another 8-year period, effective April 9, 2006;
2. Replace the Icelandic Research Council (RANNSOKNARAD ISLANDS) with the Icelandic Centre for Research (RANNSOKNAMIDSTOD ISLANDS, also known as RANNIS), including in the title of the agreement; and
3. All other terms and conditions of the MOU, as amended and extended remain unchanged.

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature.

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

FOR THE
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
THE INTERIOR OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:



Signature

Mark D. Meyers

Director

Title

4/12/07
Date

FOR THE
ICELANDIC CENTRE FOR RESEARCH
(RANNSOKNAMIDSTÖÐ ISLANDS)
UNDER THE MINISTRY OF
EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE
(MENNTAMÁLARÁÐUNEYTIÐ) OF THE
REPUBLIC OF ICELAND:



Signature

Hans Kristjan Gudmundsson

Director

Title

March 23, 2007
Date