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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
ICELAND**

**Memorandum of Understanding for scientific and technical
cooperation in earth sciences. Signed at Reykjavik on
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**Mémorandum d'accord relatif à la coopération scientifique
et technique dans le domaine des sciences terrestres.
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MEMORANDUM¹ OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (RANNSOKNARAD RIKISINS) OF ICELAND (ISLAND) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (MENNTAMALARADUNEYTIÐ) FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN EARTH SCIENCES

ARTICLE I. Scope and Objectives

The Geological Survey of the United States Department of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as USGS), and the National Research Council of Iceland (Rannsóknarad Ríkisins), under the Ministry of Education (Menntamálaráðuneytið) (hereinafter referred to as RR), have agreed to a mechanism of technical cooperation concerning Earth resources and geological, geophysical, and hydrological phenomena in accordance with the terms contained in this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as Memorandum), which establishes the procedures for cooperation.

Any activity carried out under Annexes to this Memorandum shall be subject to the laws and regulations of each country.

The purpose of this memorandum is to establish a framework for the exchange of technical knowledge and augmentation of technical capabilities of the USGS and RR in the areas of Earth resources and geological, geophysical, and hydrological phenomena. The cooperation may include exchanges of information and expertise, and joint studies of mutual interest in such areas.

The USGS may enlist the participation of other United States entities to support an activity covered by an Annex executed by the Parties under this Memorandum. Such participation shall be in accordance with existing United States laws, executive orders, regulations and policies.

The RR may, with the consent of the USGS, include the participation of other organizations in Iceland, in the development of activities contained in the scope of this Memorandum.

ARTICLE II. Cooperative Activities

Forms of cooperative activities under this Memorandum, may consist of exchanges of technical information, exchange visits, cooperative research

¹ Came into force on 9 April 1982 by signature, in accordance with article VIII.