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Statement Regarding the Agreement with Australia Extending the Agreement of February 16, 2006 Concerning the Use of Australian Facilities by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the Conduct of Scientific Balloon Flights for Civil Research Purposes. Effected by Exchange of Notes at Canberra August 26, 2011 and April 24, 2012. Entered into force April 24, 2012.

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Explanation of Agreement:

This Agreement extends the 2006 Agreement for ten (10) years, from June 12, 2012 until June 12, 2022. Extension of the 2006 agreement will further U.S. – Australia cooperation on scientific ballooning, which facilitates astronomical and atmospheric studies.

Legal Authority:

Article II of the United States Constitution; the National Aeronautics and Space Act, 51 U.S.C. 20101, et seq, including 51 U.S.C. §§20102(d)(7) and 20115.