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*Bureau of International Security and
Nonproliferation*

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Mr. Andrew Hood
Executive Director
Science and Technology Center in Ukraine
Kyiv, Ukraine

Dear Mr. Hood:

The United States is pleased to recommend the Black & Veatch Special Projects Corporation for consideration to the Partner Program Science and Technology Center in Ukraine (STCU).

Black & Veatch is a leading global engineering, consulting and construction company specializing in infrastructure development in energy, water, telecommunications, management consulting, federal and environmental markets.

Black & Veatch has read and accepts the terms of the nonproliferation objectives of the STCU, the terms of the STCU Agreement and Statute, and accepts the Principles for Non-party Participation in the STCU.

We are confident that the Black & Veatch will provide a valuable contribution to the STCU. Additional information about the company is available on their website: www.bv.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Eric T. Lund', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Re: Letter requesting Partner Status

Dear Mr. Lund:

Black & Veatch is a leading global engineering, consulting and construction company specializing in infrastructure development in energy, water, telecommunications, management consulting, federal and environmental markets. Our composite experience accumulated over the years on over 40,000 projects worldwide. In 2008 the Defense Threat Reduction Agency of the Department of Defense of the United States of America (DoD) signed a Contract with Black & Veatch Special Projects Corp. to implement the Technical Assistance Plan (TAP) for the Ministry of Health of Ukraine. This TAP includes implementation of Cooperative Biological Research (CBR) projects between Ukrainian and international researchers in a variety of biological fields that enhance disease diagnostics, detection, and prevention, etc. Within this TAP we plan to support several approved by DTRA projects over the next 3 years including:

- UP-1: "Ecological evaluation of *Rickettsia* spp., *Coxiella burnetii*, and tick-borne encephalitis virus in arthropods collected from North-West Ukraine"
- UP-2: "Incorporating GIS, Remote Sensing, and Laboratory Diagnostics into Human and Veterinary Disease Surveillance for Tularemia and Anthrax in Ukraine"
- UP-3: "Development of Algorithms and Molecular Approaches for Differential Diagnosis of Etiologies of a Severe Febrile Illness in Ukraine"

In this regards, we are interested in managing grant payment distribution in Ukraine within the CBR projects through the STCU as a STCU Partner.

The Black & Veatch Special Projects Corp. has read and accepts the terms and conditions of the STCU Agreement and Statute and accepts the Principles for Non-Party Participation in the STCU.

We welcome the opportunity to work with the STCU.

Sincerely,

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Vice President



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