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SUBJECT: APPROVAL NOTE VERBALE

Kindly receive a Note Verbale and a Research permit for the R/V Roger Revelle.

Kind regards


I. Kirsten

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The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the Latter's Notes Verbale No. 07/1068 dated 31 August 2007 and No 07/1577 dated 09 November 2007, requesting diplomatic clearance for the United States flagged vessel the R/V Roger Revelle, to access territorial and internal waters and ports of South Africa for the purpose of conducting marine scientific research from 4 December 2007 to 31 January 2008, and from 4 February to 17 March 2008.

The Department of Foreign Affairs wishes to inform the Embassy of the United States of America that the latter's request for diplomatic clearance for the R/V Roger Revelle to enter South African territorial waters and to stop at Durban on 9 – 10 December 2007; 6 - 7 January 2008; 30 January – 4 February 2008 has been approved, subject to the operational requirements of the National Ports Authority of South Africa. A research permit for the period of the R/V Roger Revelle's visits has been issued by the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism and is herewith attached.

Furthermore the Department of Foreign Affairs wishes to inform the Embassy of the United States of America that any specific requests should be resolved through consultation with the South African Police Services and the National Port Authority.

The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

**PRETORIA
26 November 2007**

**EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PRETORIA**



environment & tourism

Department:
Environmental Affairs and Tourism
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

MARINE AND COASTAL MANAGEMENT

PERMIT TO ENTER SOUTH AFRICAN WATERS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 83 of the Marine Living Resource Act of 1998 permission is hereby granted to the "R/V Roger Revelle, to enter into Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of South Africa for the period 04 December 2007 to the 31st of January 2008 and 04 February 2008 to the 17th of March 2008.

1. Two paper copies and one electronic of the full report from the Project Leader/Chief Scientist regarding the cruise must reach the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, Chief Directorate: Research Support, via diplomatic channels, three (3) months after every cruise.
2. The ship may not proceed closer than 500m to the shore at any time, except when entering the harbour.
3. This permit may be revoked by notice in writing by the Director-General of this Department or any person to whom she has delegated such authority.

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