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**Re: Application of Roger Revelle Marine Research from May 25, 2010 to
November 24, 2010**

Dear Mr. Smith,

This is to reply to your letters dated December 4, 2009 (AIT-B-989), December 29, 2009 (AIT-B-1032) and January 25, 2010 (AIT-B-058) respectively regarding the application for marine scientific research activities of R/V Roger Revelle in the territorial waters of Taiwan during the period between May 25, 2010 and November 24, 2010.

I am writing to inform you that National Science Council (NSC) has approved the applications. Enclosed herewith please find a copy of the letter from NSC for your reference. I would also like to draw your attention to the following points:

1. A complete list of on-board scientists and crew members, detailed cruise tracks and charts showing the date, geographical areas of operation as well as latitude and longitude of each entry of the vessel are required to submit to NSC via e-mail at least 2 weeks in advance before each research cruises, in order to notify the authorities concerned in time.
2. Surveys are prohibited to operate inside the area of 24 nautical miles of the Territorial Sea Baseline of Taiwan. All the instruments, under the concern of navigation security and national defense, to be used for survey have to be switched off inside the area, except Underway (UW) multi-beam which should not record any investigation results.
3. A Navy officer of the Republic of China will be on board to monitor the operations and to ensure the survey is executed in accordance with the approved projects. Research instruments are only switched on in the approved areas.

Should you have any further question, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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