The Department of State acknowledges receipt of the Embassy of Switzerland's Note No. 22/2013 of March 21, 2013, which reads as follows:

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The Embassy wishes to inform the Department that the enclosed German language version of the text which was prepared jointly by Switzerland and the United States is deemed to be in conformity with the language text of the Agreement. Pursuant to the Agreement, should the United States of America also confirm that the enclosed German language version of the text is in conformity with the English language text, the enclosed text shall be considered equally authentic to the English language version of the text. Therefore, the Embassy requests a reply from the Department indicating whether the United States of America deems the enclosed German language version of the text to be in such conformity.

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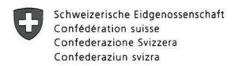
States of America also deems the German language version of the text of the

Agreement enclosed with your note to be in conformity with the English language
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Department of State, Washington, March 27, 2013.

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Washington, D.C., March 21, 2013

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