## STCU 26th BOARD RECORD OF DECISIONS – JUNE 19, '08



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The STCU Governing Board, at its 26th meeting, made the following decisions:

The Board confirms its instructions in the 30 April 2008 letter from the STCU Governing Board Chairman to the STCU Executive Director, whereby the Governing Board, in welcoming the progress made by the Government of Ukraine toward resolving the problems that led to the 8 April 2008 Force Majeure suspension of STCU operations, authorizes the Executive Director to determine when STCU can resume full and reliable operations, and at that time, authorizes the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to lift the 8 April Force Majeure suspension in the near term and resume full STCU Headquarters operations. The Executive Director may then lift the 18 April 2008 suspension of all STCU regular and government partner projects and programs in Ukraine.

The Board instructs the Secretariat to work closely with the Ukrainian Party to seek settlement on the rental costs of the temporary electrical generator used during the *Force Majeure* suspension.

- The Board welcomes the efforts made by the Ukrainian Party to find new, permanent premises that are suitable for STCU and more feasible for the Ukrainian Party to support over the long-term. The Governing Board appreciates the proposal by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine to move the STCU Headquarters to new, permanent premises in a building planned for construction (at Ukrainian Government expense) on the campus of Kyiv Polytechnic Institute ("KPI") and which is estimated to be completed by 2011-2012.
- In support of this offer, the Board takes this opportunity to re-confirm its strong commitment to STCU and its intention to continue program support for STCU in the future. The Governing Board and Secretariat are prepared to cooperate fully with the Ukrainian Party in this endeavor to find a suitable permanent location for the STCU Headquarters.

Noting that Article IX of the STCU Establishing Agreement requires that suitable premises be provided for the STCU Headquarters, the Governing Board declares that any premises (permanent or temporary) for the STCU Headquarters must be deemed suitable for an intergovernmental organization with the operational demands and diplomatic status of STCU. In this regard, while the Board appreciates the Ministry of Education and Science proposal to move STCU to a specific temporary location during the construction of the new permanent site. However, the Board does not find that the proposed specific temporary premises meet this minimum level of suitability, and thus cannot accept this proposal.

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Therefore, until the proposed new, permanent KPI location becomes suitable and ready for STCU occupancy, the Governing Board calls on the Ukrainian Party.. well in advance of the

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27<sup>th</sup> Governing Board Meeting, to either (a) to extend the lease on the 21 Kamenyariv Street premises beyond its current 31 December 2008 expiration so that STCU can remain at this location for the time being;, (which is the Governing Board's preference), or (b) propose a temporary office space that is ready for immediate occupancy and that is at an equivalent level of suitability as the current STCU Headquarters location at 21 Kamenyariv Street.

- ➤ Approved twenty-three (23) regular projects (including continuations) for a total of USD \$1,419,637 + €1,500,920. Canadian commitment conditional upon availability of funds and granting of necessary government approvals.
- ➤ Approved eight (8) STCU-Georgian National Science Foundation Targeted R&D Initiative projects for a total of USD \$162,375 and €24,034. Canadian commitment conditional upon availability of funds and granting of necessary government approvals.
- ➤ Approved twelve (12) STCU-National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine Targeted R&D Initiative projects for a total of USD \$258,964 and €219,626. The commitment is contingent upon discussions between the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine and the STCU to confirm the selection of projects. Canadian commitment conditional upon availability of funds and granting of necessary government approvals.
- Approved increase of \$85,000 to Local Grant Payments budget line within the 2008 AOB, bringing the total 2008 AOB to a total of \$1,788,844. The sharing ratio for this increase to the 2008 AOB will be USA 33.33%, EU 33.33%, and Canada 33.34%. Furthermore, the Governing Board encouraged the STCU Secretariat to review the local grant structure of the Center, leaving open the possibility of revising the structure as part of the 2009 AOB request.
- > Accepted the December 31, 2007 Financial Statement Audit Report and Management Letter as presented.
- > Approved the system where shared Supplemental Budget lines are funded each year by consensus amongst the Funding Parties, with no minimum or maximum amount of funding required.
- ➤ Confirmed extension of current Executive Director (US) Andrew A. Hood for a two-year term beginning on August 8, 2008.
- ➤ Confirmed extension of current Deputy Executive Director (US) Victor Korsun for a two-year term beginning on June 15, 2008.

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- > Confirmed extension of current Chief Administrative Officer (EU) David Cleave for a fifteen month term beginning on April 1, 2008.
- > Confirmed extension of current Chief Financial Officer (USA) Curtis Bjelajac for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2008.
- > The current Chairman Mr. Z. Stanćić will relinquish his current Governing Board responsibilities from 1st August 2008. All parties agree to accept the EU's nomination of Ms. Anneli Pauli as Chairman of the STCU Governing Board from 1st August 2008
- Noted introduction of five (5) new Partners to the STCU since the November 2007 25th STCU Board of Governors meeting, including: Instituzione MuMA (Musei del Mare e della Navigazione) (EU); Atomic Energy Commission (CEA) (EU); Sion Power Corporation Orbital Sciences Corporation (USA) and General Motors Research & Development Center (USA).
- > Confirmed fifteen (15) new Partner Projects activities approved since the November 2007 STCU Board of Governors Meeting for a total of \$2,848,775 and €318,947, including: P-237 - Instituto de Soldura e Qualidade, (EU), P-315 - The Boeing Company, (US), P-316 and P-326 - DOE / IPP Program, (USA), P-322 - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, (USA), P-325 - RIKZ (the National Institute for Costal and Marine Management) (EU), P-335 -European Office of Aerospace Research and Development, (USA), P-343 - The Imprimatur Capital Limited UK, (EU), P-349, P-350, and P-351 - United Kingdom Department of Trade & Industry/Closed Nuclear Cities Program, (EU), P-353 - Orbital Sciences Corporation (USA), P-355 - WLS Technical Services, Inc., (USA), P-360 - Sion Power Corporation, (USA), and P-362 - Instituzione MuMA (Musei del Mare e della Navigazione), (EU); also confirmed seven (7) Partner Project contract extensions with the Max-Planck Institute (P-034g), EU, DOE / IPP Program (P-143b), USA, PPG Industries, Inc. (P-209a), USA, The Boeing Company (P-250b), USA, Airbus (P-270c), EU, Center for Biomolecular Magnetic Resonance (BMRZ) (P-278a), EU, and RTI International, (P-319a) USA, for a total of \$1,084,356 and €42,900.

Mr. V. Alessi USA Board Member Ms. A. Pollack Canadian **Board Member** 

Mr. M. Strikha Ukrainian Board

with regard

Mr. Z. Stanćić

EU Board Member (for the European Commission)

Mr. M. Prišlan EU Board Member (for the EU Presidency)