Letter of Intent Between The Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand And

The National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research

In a fine spirit of friendly relationships between the Victoria University of Wellington, represented by its Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive Officer, Professor Stuart McCutcheon, and the National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT), represented by its President, Dr. Eric Goles Chace (both entities hereinafter to be referred to as "the Parties"), agree in the following Letter of Intent.

1. In view of:

The Scientific and Technological Co-operation Agreement subscribed between CONICYT and the New Zealand Ministry of Research, Science and Technology (MORST)

The nature of the scientific, technological and research co-operation established by the aforementioned Agreement, especially in those aspects related to the action between institutions, enterprises and academic organisations

2. With the intention to:

Strengthen relations between the Parties;

Empower postgraduate training in benefit of both Parties

- 3. The Parties agree to subscribe the following Letter of Intent, consisting of the following aspects, to be executed from 2005:
- CONICYT will finance two doctorate fellowships for Chilean students, in order to undertake doctoral studies in New Zealand.
- The Victoria University of Wellington will finance doctoral studies for another two Chilean scholars in this University.
- This program will be implemented in Chile by the Department of Human Resources and Scholarships, of CONICYT, which will have to define areas, eligibility, applicant's evaluation mechanisms, and financing.

A Joint Commission, created to this effect, will be responsible for the implementation of this Agreement. The Chilean part will be co-ordinated by the Department of Human Resources and Scholarships, of CONICYT, with the participation of others, that are to be stated. New Zealand counterpart will be the Victoria University of Wellington, which will determine its participants.

Signed in Wellington, New Zealand, 4 May 2004, with both originals in English and Spanish.

for the

National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT) for Victoria University

of Wellington