

**New Zealand – Chile
Statement of Cooperation on Science and Technology**

Following the signing of the 2002 Arrangement on Scientific Research and Technological Cooperation and the increasing number of cooperative links between our two countries, the New Zealand Ministry of Research Science and Technology and the Chilean National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT), hereafter referred to as "the Participants", would like to affirm our commitment to further developing collaborative ties.

The Participants recognise that cooperation is a matter of working together towards common goals of interest. The Participants jointly decide to further explore the potential available for cooperation in Science and Technology. The Participants propose to strengthen collaboration between New Zealand and Chile through:

- Promoting the benefit of partnerships with government, industry, business, academia and non-government organisations
- Enhancing the knowledge of each other's science and innovation system, including secondment of officials where possible
- Broadening the flagship areas for cooperation as described in the 2002 Agreement on Science and Technological Cooperation, paying special attention to Biotechnology
- Identifying strategies, in consultation with universities and research centres, that encourage joint postgraduate studies and research visits
- Increasing the awareness of scientific capability, partnerships and opportunities through biennial investigative delegations, including the potential for joint workshops and symposia for a trial period of four years.

Cooperative activities will be subject to the availability of funding. Unless the Participants determine alternative arrangements, each Participant will fund its involvement in cooperative activities from its own resources.

Signed in duplicate at Wellington, New Zealand on the 3rd day of May 2004 in Spanish and English languages, both texts having equal validity.



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