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RE: R/V MELVILLE
 10/6/01 - 10/29/01
 State File No. 2000078

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DATE: Friday, October 05, 2001

We have just received the following approval(s) for the above-referenced research cruise:

<i>Coastal State</i>	<i>Diplomatic Note</i>	<i>Approval Date</i>
Tonga	Ministry of Foreign Affairs Diplomatic Note F/7/2/3	10/05/2001

Please notify the Chief Scientist of the following obligations to the clearance-granting coastal state(s):

SUBMIT PCR FORM TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE END DATE OF THE CRUISE: the form is available at <http://www.state.gov/www/global/oes/oceans/ntrvo66.html>. On this form, the Chief Scientist reports when the cruise data will be forwarded to the Department of State for distribution to the clearance-granting coastal states.

SUBMIT CRUISE DATA TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT: the Chief Scientist must provide the appropriate number of copies and translations of the data for each clearance granting coastal state. See Notices to Research Vessel Operators on the web to determine country-specific reporting requirements. All materials can be mailed to my attention at the address listed above.

PLEASE NOTE: If the Chief Scientist cannot supply the data to State prior to the deadlines indicated in their PCR Form (due to sampling error, cancelled cruise, or other condition), you must notify our office with a formal letter of explanation. If you need an extension of time for submitting data, please request an extension in writing and indicate your revised due date. Should I fail to receive a request for extension, I will contact you by fax at the end of each month to let you know which scientists you will need to encourage.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or modifications to this clearance.



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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Tonga presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the latter's Note No.35 of 28 September 2001, seeking clearance from the Tongan Government for the R/V Melville, vessel operated by Scripps Institution of Oceanography to conduct a marine scientific research in the areas subject to the jurisdiction of the Tongan Government during the period of 6 – 29 October 2001.

The Ministry has further the honour to inform the latter that the Tongan Government decision is as follows:

1. That the Tongan Government decision 1 of our Diplomatic Note F.7/2/3 v.2 of November 6, 2000 be amended to read as follows:

"That the request by Scripps Institution of Oceanography to conduct marine scientific investigation using R/V Melville in Tongan Waters during October 6 – 29, 2001 be approved".

2. That the Tongan Government decision 2, 3 and 4 of our Diplomatic Note F.7/2/3 v.2 of November 6, 2000 remain unchanged.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Tonga avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

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