PROTOCOL OF INTENTIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL FOR THE EXPANSION OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES IN THIRD COUNTRIES

The Government of the United States of America

and

The Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil
(hereinafter referred to as the "Governments"),

Considering that:

The United States and Brazil have a long term partnership on technical cooperation established by the Agreement relating to Technical Cooperation, effected by exchange of notes and entered into force on December 19, 1950, as amended;

The United States and Brazil have entered into an Agreement relating to Cooperation in Science and Technology, signed at Brasilia on February 6, 1984, and entered into force on May 15, 1986, as amended and extended;

The United States and Brazil signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the Implementation of Technical Cooperation Activities in Third Countries, on March 3, 2010;

The Governments of the two countries have implemented many initiatives over the last three years to strengthen and expand such cooperation;

Both Governments wish to strengthen their cooperation to foster economic development, education, food security, women's advancement, improved health care and greater social inclusion in targeted countries that face the greatest challenges from poverty, as measured by world development indicators;

Both Governments anticipate that further coordination and harmonization of development-assistance activities under way by each Government will lead to greater efficiencies and better results;

Therefore, both Governments have reached the following understandings:

Section I
Purpose and Designations

1. The intent of this Protocol of Intention (hereinafter referred to as "POI") is to indicate the intention of Brazil and the United States to expand trilateral technical cooperation initiatives to countries selected by mutual concurrence in Latin America, the Caribbean, and Africa in sectors including, but not limited to food security, agriculture, nutrition, health care, education, and institutional strengthening.

2. This POI also indicates the interest of Brazil and the United States in exploring technical cooperation arrangements under which both Governments participate in trilateral technical cooperation initiatives carried out in third countries by multilateral organizations including, but not limited to the World Food Program and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

3. This POI does not impose targets for actions for the two Governments, with each being free to suggest technical cooperation projects or coordination of activities whenever deemed necessary or appropriate.

4. In order to carry out the technical cooperation activities provided for in this POI, the Governments hereby designate:

a) Brazilian Cooperation Agency (ABC-Agência Brasileira de Cooperação) of the Brazilian Ministry of External Relations; and

b) United States Agency for International Development (USAID);

both of which are hereinafter referred to as the "Agencies".

Section II
Activities

1. The Governments, making full use of the best practices of the Agencies in implementing trilateral development technical cooperation, are to implement jointly and in coordination with the governments of selected beneficiary countries, cooperation activities based on the proposals presented by each Government and consistent with the geographic and sectoral priorities of the Agencies.

2. The activities may encompass:

a) preparation of sector-specific studies necessary to formulate projects;

b) sending technical specialists from both countries to develop proposals, provide technical cooperation, training and education, and monitor project delivery and assess results;

c) training of technical specialists from third countries in Brazil and/or the United States with support from both countries; and

d) other forms of technical cooperation, as mutually determined by the Agencies.

Section III
Rights and Obligations

This POI does not create rights or obligations for the Governments under international law.

Section IV
Signature and Commencement

This POI is effective upon signature for an indefinite period, until one Government notifies the other of its decision to discontinue it.

Signed at Brasília, in duplicate, this 18 day of March, 2011, in the English and Portuguese languages.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL