

Q&A 35

Q 35: Appendix 12 of the Concept Study Guidelines indicates that Draft International Agreements are needed for international elements. Must these agreements be signed?

A 35: While these Agreements may only be draft in form for Phase A, as early as possible (and certainly by Phase B) they **MUST** be completed and signed to assure that the required elements will be provided to the project. In addition, Letters of Endorsement for **ALL** contributions both foreign and domestic (per section 4.4 of the AO) must be provided which clearly indicate a financial commitment from each responsible organization contributing to the investigation. Failure to provide these Letters of Endorsement will be grounds for a higher evaluated risk rating.