Honorable Andrew M. Coumo Governor State of New York Executive Chamber Albany 12224

October 21st, 2016

Dear Governor:

It was with great pleasure that I learnt of Roswell Park's license granted by OFAC to engage in a research partnership with the Center for Molecular Immunology (CIM). It is the first step to overcome the obstacles still in place and to reach a productive cooperation in this important field.

It is a result of everyone's efforts in New York and Havana who has been working untiringly for this dream to come true.

So, let me congratulate you for your personal commitment to achieve this goal, because you and your staff in Albany and Washington DC have worked hard on this project prior to, during and after your trade mission to Cuba in April 2015.

The business partnership between Roswell Park and the Center for Molecular Immunology (CIM) as well as the MOU on the control of cancer signed by our governments in Havana on the past October 20 are not only a contribution to the improvement of the health of the peoples from our countries but to the health of all the peoples in the region and the world as well.

Warmest regards,

Sincerely,

José Ramon/Cabañas Rodríguez

Ambassador