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Name of Tax-Exempt Employer: American Association for the
Advancement of Science (AAAS)

Address of Tax-Exempt Employer: 1200 New York Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20005

E.I.N.: 53-0196568

Top-Hat Statement

By Plan Administrator

AAAS (the "Employer"), hereby declares that the purpose of the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan of AAAS (the "Plan") is to provide deferred compensation primarily for a select group of management and highly compensated employees. The number of employees covered under the Plan is 16. In addition, the Employer, maintains 0 unfunded top-hat plans described in Department of Labor Regulation Section 2520.104-23(b). The number of employees covered under such plans is 0.

Date: 1/8/03

By: [Signature]

Title: CEO

(On Behalf of the Plan Administrator)



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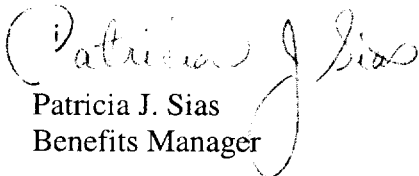
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To Whom It May Concern:

Please find enclosed, American Association for the Advancement of Science's (AAAS), Top Hat Statement for our 457(b) Plan. AAAS adopted the agreement on January 3, 2003.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (202) 326-6469.

Sincerely,


Patricia J. Sias
Benefits Manager



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