MINUTE No. 177

BANCOS NOS. 147 "WEIL" and 148 "LAS ANTONIAS".

The Commission met at the offices of the United States Section in El Paso, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., December 21, 1944.

The Commission received the report of the Consulting Engineers dated December 21, 1944 with regard to Bancos Nos. 147 "Weil" and 148 "Las Antonias", formed on the Lower Rio Grande, together with two maps, one of each banco, submitted therewith. The Commissioners considered and approved the report and maps, which are attached to this Minute to form a part hereof.

The Commission adopted the following resolution:

"Bancos Nos. 147 'Weil' and 148 'Las Antonias', which were cut from the United States and are now on the right or southerly bank of the Rio Grande, described in the report of the Consulting Engineers dated December 21, 1944, are hereby eliminated from the effects of Article II of the Convention of November 12, 1884, and the dominion and jurisdiction of these bancos shall pass to Mexico in accordance with the provisions of the Convention of March 20, 1905, for the Elimination of Bancos."

The Commissioners then signed the two maps (scale 1:5000), in duplicate (one original in English and one original in Spanish), which delineate the above-described bancos.

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The meeting then adjourned.

P. M. Leveson  
Commissioner of the United States

Rafael Gerardo Mier y Terán  
Comisionado de México

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Commissioner of Mexico

Comisionado de los Estados Unidos

M. B. Moore  
Secretary of the United States Section

S. I. O. O. M.  
Secretario de la Sección Mexicana

Secretario de la Sección de los Estados Unidos
El Paso, Texas
December 21, 1944

The Honorable Commissioners,
International Boundary Commission,
United States and Mexico,
El Paso, Texas and Ciudad Juárez, Chih.

Sirs:

In accordance with your instructions an inspection and survey of the two bancos recently formed on the Lower Rio Grande has been made and in regard thereto we submit the following description of each of the bancos, and the subjoined general statements:

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__________BANCO No. 147 "WEIL"__________

Located in the municipality of Matamoros, Tamaulipas, about 15 kilometers southeasterly of the City of Matamoros, Tamaulipas and 2.0 kilometers northeasterly of R.P. 48.

Cut from the United States in September, 1941.

Claimant: Samuel Weil, Brownsville, Texas.

Area to the river: 10.9 hectares (26.9 acres).

No houses or inhabitants on the banco.

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__________BANCO No. 148 "LAS ANTONIAS"__________

Located in the municipality of Matamoros, Tamaulipas, about 5.2 kilometers southwesterly of the mouth of the Rio Grande and 1.7 kilometers southeasterly of R.P. 54.

Cut from the United States in May, 1944.

Claimant: Velma B. Newberry, Houston, Texas.

Area to the river: 38.9 hectares (96.1 acres).

No houses or inhabitants on the banco.

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The abandoned channel of the river is very clearly defined around the two tracts described above. The tracts were cut off by avulsive movements of the river, and, as regards area and inhabitants, are within the limits defining bancos set out in the Convention of 1905 for the Elimination of Bancos.

Maps of each banco on a scale of 1:5000 have been prepared in duplicate, one original in English and one original in Spanish, and are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Consulting Engineer, United States Section.

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Consulting Engineer, Mexican Section

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El cauce abandonado del río está claramente definido alrededor de las dos parcelas descritas. Las parcelas se cortaron por movimientos avulsivos del río y, por lo que se refiere a superficie y habitantes, están comprendidos dentro de los límites de la definición de bancos establecida en la Convención de 1905 para la Eliminación de Bancos.

Se han preparado, por duplicado, los planos de cada banco, un original en español y un original en inglés, a escala de 1:5000, que se presentan como anexos.

Con todo respeto,

[Signature]
Ingeniero Consultor de la Sección Mexicana.

[Signature]
Ingeniero Consultor de la Sección de los Estados Unidos.