INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION
UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

MINUTE NO. 266

August 3, 1981

Cc. Juarez, Chih.

EXTENSION OF THE EFFECT OF MINUTE NO. 263
RELATING TO THE EMERGENCY DELIVERIES OF COLORADO RIVER WATER
FOR USE IN TIJUANA

The Commission met in the offices of the Mexican Section at 10:00 a.m.,
on August 3, 1981, to consider the need to extend for one year the effect of
Minute No. 263, relating to the emergency deliveries which the United States
makes to Mexico of waters from the Colorado River at a point on the interna-
tional boundary near the city of Tijuana, Baja California.

The Commission considered the Mexican Commissioner's advice that although
the construction by his Government of the aqueduct to supply Colorado River
waters to Tijuana is near completion, it is not expected to be in operation
before the end of 1982. The Commissioners also considered that on August 20,
1980, the emergency deliveries of water made by the United States to Mexico
were suspended and that although there was not a need to resume deliveries
in the period that followed, circumstances may again exist to require those
deliveries and they agreed to continue the agreement for the emergency water
deliveries on a stand-by basis.

The Commission then considered the information provided by the United
States Commissioner relating to the conditions under which the agencies of his
country, which own and operate the hydraulic facilities used to make the emer-
gency deliveries of water to Mexico, would be willing to continue such emer-
gency deliveries as may be requested by Mexico until August 14, 1982.

Based on the above considerations, the Commission adopted the following
resolution, subject to the approval of the two Governments:

1. That the effect of Minute No. 263 of August 6, 1980, be extended un-
til August 14, 1982, with the understandings in Points 2 and 3 of
this resolution.

2. That during the one-year extension of the effect of Minute No. 263,
the emergency deliveries of Colorado River water made by the United
States to Mexico at a point on the international boundary near the
city of Tijuana not be made at rates exceeding those corresponding
to the monthly volumes specified in Schedule 1 of Exhibit 2 accom-
ppanying Minute No. 240, and that Mexico make its request three days
in advance of each resumption and of each suspension of such deliv-
eries.

3. That at the beginning of the one-year extension of the effect of
Minute No. 263, Mexico reestablish its Irrevocable Letter of Credit
in the amount of $500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars 00/100)
U.S. currency, which amount would cover the costs of approximately
three months of continuous emergency deliveries to Mexico and there-
after reestablish, when and as needed, the Letter of Credit in the same amount to cover the cost of such deliveries as Mexico may request during the remainder of the one-year extension.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Commissioner for the United States

Joaquin Bustamante R.
Commissioner for Mexico

R. A. Varra
Secretary for the United States

Lorenzo Padilla S. P.
Secretary for the Mexican