

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION  
UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

Minute No. 281

El Paso, Texas  
March 17, 1990

MODIFICATION OF THE OFFICIAL DECAL ADOPTED TO IDENTIFY  
PERSONNEL, VEHICLES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT  
OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission met in the offices of the United States Section in El Paso, Texas at 10:00 a.m. on March 17, 1990 to consider the modification of the official Commission decal in Minute No. 184, entitled "Adoption of Official Means of Identification of Personnel, Vehicles and other Equipment Crossing the International Boundary on Business of the Commission or of Either Section Thereof", dated January 21, 1947.

The Commissioners recognized that the official Commission decal in Exhibits 1 and 5 of Minute No. 184 has been used for 43 years and noted the need to adopt a decal that is more representative of the flags of the two countries. The Commissioners agree that the new seal which the Commission adopts could be used in all uses of this international body such as identification of personnel, vehicles, facilities and any other uses, and in a size that each Section of the Commission may consider appropriate.

The Commissioners agree that in designing the new Commission decal and upon changing the symbolic representation of the flags of the two countries, neither flag should be in a position inferior or subordinate to that of the other. They then agreed that for the new Commission decal one flag could be at the left in the first position and the other above in the upper position, such that the new decal should have the following characteristics:

1. An inner circle with an international river that flows diagonally in a northwest to southeast direction and with an incline no less than 45 degrees to a horizontal axis.
2. A portion of the United States flag at the upper northeast position and a portion of the Mexican flag at the beginning of the southwest position to include the national Mexican emblem. The area

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assigned to the parts of each country's flag should be equal to one another.

3. As in the case of the present decal, an outer perimeter would be placed concentric to the inner circle with the inscription "INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION" in the upper part and "COMISION INTERNACIONAL DE LIMITES Y AGUAS" in the lower part.

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

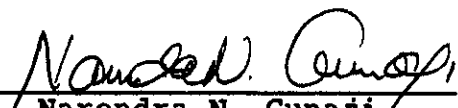
1. The official Commission decal used to identify vehicles and other equipment of the Commission in Exhibit 5 of Minute No. 184 is modified, adopting in its place the decal described in the body of this Minute and shown in Exhibit A of this Minute.
2. The format of the Commission card in Exhibit 1 of Minute No. 184 is modified, adopting in its place the format shown in Exhibit B of this Minute.
3. This modification is understood to be only as it relates to Exhibits 1 and 5 of Commission Minute No. 184 and thus the other terms of Minute No. 184 remain in force.
4. The adoption of a new decal and new format for the identification card, shown in Exhibits A and B, respectively, of this Minute will be carried out immediately once this Minute is approved, with the understandings that: a) Each Section will adopt the new decal and identification card once it has exhausted its supply of identification cards and official decals adopted in Minute No. 184, and b) Each Section in accordance with its criteria and needs could make use of this decal in addition to identification of personnel and equipment, to identify its facilities, documents and other uses it considers proper.
5. During the transition period in which the new decal is adopted, which will not be greater than three years from the date that this Minute enters into

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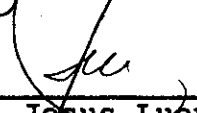
force, the old decal in identification cards, vehicles and other equipment will continue to be in effect.

The meeting was adjourned.

  
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