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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
MEXICO**

**Exchange of notes (with Memorandum of Understanding)
constituting an agreement superseding the Co-operative
Meteorological Program Agreement of 29 August
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No. 7574. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND MEXICO SUPERSEDING THE CO-OPERATIVE METEOROLOGICAL PROGRAM AGREEMENT OF 29 AUGUST 1957.² MEXICO, 14 FEBRUARY 1964

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The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Mexican Minister for Foreign Relations

No. 1134

Mexico, D.F., February 14, 1964

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the Cooperative Meteorological Program between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States for the establishment and operation of surface, winds aloft, and radiosonde observation stations in Mexico and to the Agreement between our two Governments regarding the Program effected by an exchange of notes on August 23 and 29, 1957,² as extended and amended August 8, 1962³ and March 15, 1963.⁴

Considering the mutual benefits derived from the Cooperative Meteorological Program, I have the honor to propose its continuation beyond the termination date of said Agreement upon the following terms :

1. NAME OF THE PROJECT

The project to be carried out under the present Agreement shall be known as the Mexican-United States Cooperative Project for Meteorological Observations.

2. COOPERATING AGENCIES

The cooperating agencies shall be, (1) for the Government of the United States of America, the Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce, hereinafter referred to as the " United States Cooperating Agency ", and, (2) for the Government of the United Mexican States, the Dirección General de Geografía y Meteorología, Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, hereinafter referred to as the " Mexican Cooperating Agency ".

¹ Came into force on 14 February 1964, operative retroactively 1 January 1964, in accordance with the terms of the said notes.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 290, p. 286.

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 458, p. 278.

⁴ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 473, p. 333.

3. GENERAL PURPOSES

The general purposes of the present Agreement shall be as follows :

(a) To provide for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of meteorological stations at locations in Mexican territory that are suitable from the technical standpoint and selected by mutual arrangement between the Cooperating Agencies, in accordance with paragraph 8 of this Agreement, for the purpose of securing data by systematic observations of weather conditions at the earth's surface and in the atmosphere, and such special meteorological observations as may be needed for research and in emergency situations created by meteorological phenomena, such as disturbances, storms, and cyclones.

(b) To provide for the daily exchange of surface and upper-air observations between the two Cooperating Agencies for the use of their respective countries in the preparation of weather forecasts, including hurricane warnings, and for meeting the needs of international aviation.

4. TITLE TO PROPERTY

Title to all personal property purchased with funds supplied by the United States Cooperating Agency shall remain vested in that Agency, and title to all personal property acquired by the Mexican Cooperating Agency shall remain vested in that Agency.

5. EXPENSES

All expenses incurred by the United States Cooperating Agency shall be paid directly by the Government of the United States of America, and all expenses incident to the obligations assumed by the Mexican Cooperating Agency shall be paid directly by the Government of the United Mexican States.

6. EXEMPTION FROM DUTIES AND TAXES

(a) All supplies and equipment brought into Mexico by the Government of the United States of America for the purposes of this Agreement shall be free of taxes and customs duties.

(b) The Government of the United Mexican States will grant the functionaries of the Government of the United States of America who are citizens of that country and commissioned by its Government for work related to the present Agreement the same treatment regarding taxes as is established in Article III of the existing Consular Convention between the United States of America and Mexico, signed on August 12, 1942.¹ The Government of the United Mexican States will also grant such functionaries and the members of their families who are nationals of the United States of America the same treatment with regard to customs duties as is established in Article IV of said Consular Convention.

7. LIABILITIES

Functionaries and employees of the Meteorological Cooperative Project whose salaries are paid by the United States Cooperating Agency shall be considered as being

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 125, p. 301.

solely functionaries and employees of said Agency. The Mexican Cooperating Agency and its functionaries and employees shall be held harmless from any liability whatsoever resulting from the use of station equipment, including vehicles, by the United States functionaries and employees. Functionaries and employees whose salaries are paid by the Mexican Cooperating Agency shall be considered as being solely functionaries and employees of the Mexican Cooperating Agency. The United States Cooperating Agency and its functionaries and employees shall be held harmless from any liability whatsoever resulting from the use of station equipment, including vehicles, by the functionaries and employees of the Mexican Cooperating Agency.

8. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS CONCERNING OPERATION

The technical details necessary for carrying out the Project are set forth in the attached Memorandum of Understanding¹ between the Cooperating Agencies, which has been approved by our two Governments and shall, therefore, become operative on the same date the present Agreement becomes operative.

Any additions to or changes in the attached Memorandum of Understanding, which may be mutually agreed upon by the Cooperating Agencies, shall enter into force when approved through diplomatic channels by the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States.

Meteorological stations established in the territory of the United Mexican States and meteorological work carried out in that territory shall always be under the direction and authority of the Mexican functionaries.

9. TERM

The present Agreement shall remain in force until December 31, 1965. It shall be subject to termination by either Government by giving to the other Government notice in writing sixty days in advance.

I have the honor to propose that this note and Your Excellency's reply concurring in the proposals contained herein shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply, and shall be considered as having been operative as of January 1, 1964.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

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Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

His Excellency Manuel Tello
Minister for Foreign Relations
Mexico, D.F.

¹ See p. 201 of this volume.