

**INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION
UNITED STATES AND MEXICO****Cd. Juárez, Chih.
December 4, 2000****Minute No. 305****Demarcation and Monumentation of the International Boundary
on the Bridges over the Rio Grande at Eagle Pass, Texas – Piedras Negras, Coahuila II;
Laredo, Texas – Colombia, Nuevo Leon; Laredo, Texas IV – Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas
III Pharr, Texas – Reynosa, Tamaulipas; Los Indios, Texas – Lucio Blanco, Tamaulipas;
and Veterans, Brownsville, Texas – Matamoros, Tamaulipas III**

The Commission met in the offices of the Mexican Section in Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, on December 4, 2000 at 12:00 p.m., to consider the demarcation and monumentation of the international boundary at various bridges constructed over the Rio Grande.

The Commissioners referred to Article VII of the "Treaty between the United States and Mexico to Resolve Pending Boundary Differences and Maintain the Rio Grande and Colorado River as the International Boundary," signed at Mexico City November 23, 1970, which provides that the boundary on international bridges which cross the Rio Grande or the Colorado River be shown by an appropriate monument exactly over the international boundary. Further, they referred to the Article II, paragraphs A and B of the 1970 Boundary Treaty, which provides for determination by the Commission of the normal flows and the average widths required to define the location of the international boundary.

The Commissioners reviewed the "Joint Report of the Principal Engineers Concerning the Demarcation and Monumentation of the International Boundary on the Bridges over the Rio Grande at Eagle Pass, Texas – Piedras Negras, Coahuila II; Laredo, Texas – Colombia, Nuevo Leon; Laredo, Texas IV – Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas III; Pharr, Texas – Reynosa, Tamaulipas; Los Indios, Texas – Lucio Blanco, Tamaulipas; and Veterans, Brownsville, Texas – Matamoros, Tamaulipas III," signed by United States Section Principal Engineer Debra J. Little and Mexican Section Principal Engineer Luis Antonio Rascón Mendoza on November 28, 2000. The Commissioners found the criteria applied by the Principal Engineers for the location of the boundary to be consistent with paragraphs A and B of Article II of the 1970 Boundary Treaty. Further, the Commissioners found the locations indicated by the Principal Engineers in the referenced joint report and the enclosures thereto to be consistent with Article VII of the 1970 Boundary Treaty.

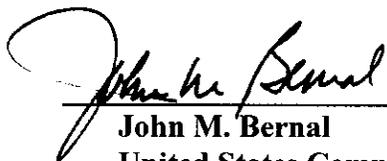
Based on the above considerations, the Commissioners submit the following recommendations for the approval of the two Governments:

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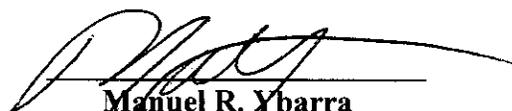
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1. The "Joint Report of the Principal Engineers Concerning the Demarcation and Monumentation of the International Boundary on the Bridges over the Rio Grande at Eagle Pass, Texas – Piedras Negras, Coahuila II; Laredo, Texas – Colombia, Nuevo Leon; Laredo, Texas IV – Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas III; Pharr, Texas – Reynosa, Tamaulipas; Los Indios, Texas – Lucio Blanco, Tamaulipas; and Veterans, Brownsville, Texas – Matamoros, Tamaulipas III," signed by United States Section Principal Engineer Debra J. Little and Mexican Section Principal Engineer Luis Antonio Rascón Mendoza on November 28, 2000, shall be adopted and shall form an integral part of this Minute.
2. The location and position of the international boundary at the six bridges, referenced above, shall be adopted as determined and recommended by the Principal Engineers in the referenced Joint Report, following the terms of the 1970 Boundary Treaty.
3. This Minute shall enter into force upon notification of approval by the Government of the United States and the Government of the United Mexican States through their respective IBWC Sections.

The meeting was adjourned.



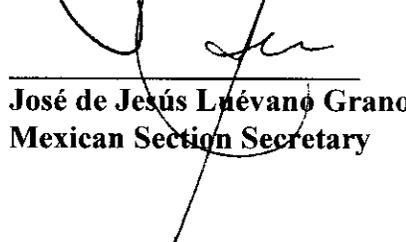
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