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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
MEXICO**

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vision stations along the land border which joins the
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**Échange de notes constituant un accord relatif à l'attribu-
tion de canaux ultra hautes fréquences à des stations
de télévision situées le long de la frontière terrestre
entre les deux pays. Mexico, 16 juillet 1958**

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No. 4782. EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND MEXICO RELATING TO THE ALLOCATION OF ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY CHANNELS TO TELEVISION STATIONS ALONG THE LAND BORDER WHICH JOINS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND UNITED MEXICAN STATES. MEXICO, 16 JULY 1958

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The American Ambassador to the Mexican Secretary for Foreign Relations

No. 1131

Mexico, D. F., July 16, 1958

Excellency :

I have the honor to refer to the conversations held in Washington, D. C. November 18 to 27, 1957, between representatives of our respective Governments on the subject of the allocation of ultra high frequency channels to television stations along the land border which joins the United States of America and the United Mexican States.

My Government has authorized me to propose an agreement in the following terms :

The Governments of the United States of America and the United Mexican States through their designated representatives, have agreed on their respective usage of television broadcasting channels in the frequency range 470-890 megacycles (Channels 14-83), in accordance with the conditions set forth herein.

A. *Scope of Agreement*

1. This Agreement shall govern the assignment and utilization of the seventy (70) channels in the ultra high frequency broadcasting band in the United States of America and the United Mexican States at locations within 200 miles (320 kilometers) of the land border between the two countries.

2. In determining whether a given station assignment is included within the area described in paragraph A.1 above, the location of the station will be determined by the transmitter location. Where there may be difficulty because of uncertain geographical information in determining with precision whether or not a given transmitter site is within the area described in paragraph A.1 above, the country in which the station is to be located will furnish the other country the best information available regarding the location of the proposed site. If the other country has any question regarding the site, it will so inform the proposing country within 30 days of receipt of the above-described

¹ Came into force on 16 July 1958 by the exchange of the said notes.

information. Any differences of opinion as to whether the proposed station assignment is within the area described in paragraph A.1 above, shall be resolved before operation of the station in question is authorized.

B. *Power of Stations*

1. The maximum effective radiated power in the horizontal plane of any station authorized pursuant to this agreement shall not exceed 5 megawatts (5,000 kilowatts).

2. Lower power than stipulated above may be authorized to stations by either country, but the authorization of lower power shall not prevent the authorization of the maximum permissible power at a later date.

C. *Antenna Height*

There shall be no maximum limitation on antenna height.

D. *Offset of Video Carrier Frequency*

In order to obtain the most favorable possible desired to undesired signal ratio and the maximum service areas in any group of three stations operating on the same channel, the video carrier frequency of two of such stations shall be offset by plus or minus 10 kilocycles respectively. The carrier frequency offsets shown in Tables A¹ and B² are accepted.

E. *Frequency tolerance*

The operating frequencies of stations assigned pursuant to this Agreement shall be maintained within ± 1 kilocycle of the normal or offset frequencies required under Tables A and B.

F. *Assignment plan*

The channel assignments shown in Tables A and B are agreed upon.

G. *Transmitter locations*

A television transmitter shall be located to serve the city to which the channel is assigned and to promote the over-all efficiency of the assignment plan. Each country shall observe the distances specified in Table C³ in establishing transmitter sites for the stations serving the cities set forth in Tables A and B; provided, however, that upon agreement of both countries in particular instances, other distances may be used. In determining whether a proposed transmitter site complies with the distances shown in Table C, the following procedures shall obtain:

a. In situations where transmitter sites have not been established in the other country, the distances shall be measured from the proposed transmitter site in one country to the centers of the corresponding cities in the other country.

¹ See p. 144 of this volume.

² See p. 145 of this volume.

³ See p. 148 of this volume.

b. Where transmitter sites have been established in the other country and the particulars thereof duly notified, the distances shall be measured from the proposed site in one country to the established sites in the other country.

H. Changes in the Tables

1. It is the desire of the Governments of the United States of America and the United Mexican States that changes may be made in the attached Tables A and B when they will further the purposes of this Agreement and will be conducive to maintaining maximum efficiency in the use of television channels.

2. Either country desiring to effect a change that will result in a more satisfactory technical arrangement of its facilities, shall notify the other country of the proposed change in writing. If there is objection to the proposed change, such objection shall be made in writing to the proposing country within 30 days of the receipt of the notice of the proposed change. If no such objection is made within 45 days from the date of the written notification or upon resolution of the difference which gave rise to such objection, Tables A and B or both shall be considered to be amended to conform with the proposed change.

I. Use of Channels 70-83 inclusive

Either country may make assignments of stations with effective radiated root mean squared (RMS) powers not in excess of 100 watts at locations in excess of 25 miles (40 kilometers) from the common border on channels 70-83 inclusive without notification to the other country. Assignments at 25 miles (40 kilometers) or less from the border will be notified in accordance with Section J of this Agreement.

J. Notification of Station Assignments

1. Each country shall notify the other within 30 days following the date of grant of authorization of a television station within the scope of this Agreement. The notification shall include the following information :

- a. Transmitter location (city, longitude and latitude)
- b. Channel number
- c. Video carrier frequency, including offset designator
- d. Antenna height
- e. Effective radiated power in the horizontal plane
- f. Call letters

2. Subsequent notification shall be made within 30 days of the grant of any authorization to modify the particulars for a station which has been notified pursuant to paragraph J.1 above.

3. Notification shall be made within 30 days of the date when the station enters into regular operation.

K. Cooperation and Exchange of Information

The Administrations of the respective countries will exchange information and cooperate with each other for the purpose of minimizing interference and obtaining maximum efficiency in the use of television channels.

L. *Tables A, B and C*

The following Tables A, B and C are an integral part of this Agreement.

M. *Termination*

This Agreement may be terminated by either party by giving a written notice of termination to the other party. Termination shall take effect one year after the date of the receipt of the notice thereof.

TABLE A — CUADRO A — TABLEAU A

MEXICO — MEXIQUE

TAMAULIPAS

Ciudad Victoria	14+	20	26+	32+
Nuevo Laredo	21	33+	45	
# Matamoros	17	54		
# Reynosa	14	36		
# Ciudad Camargo	18	24		
# San Fernando	19	25+		
# Valle Hermoso	72			
# Rio Bravo	42			
# Ciudad Guerrero	37			

NUEVO LEÓN — NOUVEAU-LÉON

Monterrey	16	22+	28+	34—
Linares	15	21—		
Sabinas Hidalgo	32	38		
Montemorelos	45—	51		
Ciudad Anahuac	71	77		

SONORA

San Luis Rio Colorado	44	50		
Sonoita	25+	31—		
Puerto Libertad	18	24—		
Nacozari	31+	25		
San Javier	38—	44		
Nogales	22	38+	50+	
Hermosillo	17—	23	29	35—
Cananea	26	56		
Agua Prieta	17+			
Magdalena	14	20—		
Ures	41	47		
Naco	48			
Puerto Penasco	37			
Caborca	21—			

BAJA CALIFORNIA — BASSE-CALIFORNIE

Tijuana	21—	33	45	57
Mexicali	14+	20+	32+	38
Ensenada	17	23	29+	
Sauzal	41	61	70	
Tecate	67	73		
San Telmo	18+			
San Felipe	30+			
Santo Tomas	59			
San Quintin	36			
El Golfo	56			

COAHUILA

Ciudad Acuna	34	40+	58	
Piedras Negras	28	46	70	
Saltillo	25—	44—	50	
Nueva Rosita	17—	23+		
Sabinas	59	65		
Monclova	29	35		
Parras	17+	23—		
Cuatro Cienegas	53			
Muzquiz	41	47		

CHIHUAHUA

Chihuahua	14—	20	26—	
Ciudad Juarez	20+	32—	44	56
Ciudad Delicias	44—	50—		
Ciudad Camargo	17	23		
Hidalgo del Parral	15+	21+		
Ciudad Cuauhtemoc	16+	22+		
Nuevo Casas Grandes	18+	24+	30	
Ciudad Jimenez	19	25		
Ojinaga	15			
Las Palomas	27+			
Las Minas	17+	23—		
San Buenaventura	21—			
Meoqui	56			

TABLE B — CUADRO B — TABLEAU B

UNITED STATES — ESTADOS UNIDOS — ÉTATS-UNIS

ARIZONA

Ajo	19—		
Bisbee	54		
Casa Grande	18—		
Clifton	25—		
Coolidge	36+		
Douglas	35		
Eloy	24		
Globe	34+		
Miami	28+		
Morenci	31		
Nogales	16	32	44+
Prescott	15		
Safford	21		
Yuma	22+	60	

CALIFORNIA — CALIFORNIE

Brawley	.	.	.	.	.	16		
Corona	.	.	.	.	.	52		
El Centro	.	.	.	.	.	26—	48	
Los Angeles	.	.	.	.	.	22	28	34
Oxnard	.	.	.	.	.	32		
Palm Springs	.	.	.	.	.	19+		
Riverside	.	.	.	.	.	40	46	
San Bernardino	.	.	.	.	.	18	24—	30
San Buenaventura	.	.	.	.	.	38—		
San Diego	.	.	.	.	.	15+	27	39
Santa Barbara	.	.	.	.	.	20	26	
Santa Paula	.	.	.	.	.	16+		51

NEW MEXICO — NUEVO MÉXICO — NOUVEAU-MEXIQUE

Alamogordo	.	.	.	.	.	17		
Artesia	.	.	.	.	.	21+		
Belen	.	.	.	.	.	24+		
Carlsbad	.	.	.	.	.	23		
Columbus	.	.	.	.	.	16—		
Deming	.	.	.	.	.	14+		
Hobbs	.	.	.	.	.	46		
Hot Springs	.	.	.	.	.	19		
Las Cruces	.	.	.	.	.	22—		
Lordsburg	.	.	.	.	.	23+		
Lovington	.	.	.	.	.	27		
Socorro	.	.	.	.	.	15+		

TEXAS

# Alice	.	.	.	.	.	34+		
# Austin	.	.	.	.	.	18—	24	70—
Ballinger	.	.	.	.	.	25		
# Beeville	.	.	.	.	.	38—		
Big Spring	.	.	.	.	.	34+		
Brady	.	.	.	.	.	15—		
# Brownsville	.	.	.	.	.	26	44	
Brownwood	.	.	.	.	.	19		
Coleman	.	.	.	.	.	21—		
# Corpus Christi	.	.	.	.	.	16+	22	43
# Crystal City	.	.	.	.	.	44+		
# Cuero	.	.	.	.	.	25—		
Del Rio	.	.	.	.	.	16—	52+	
Eagle Pass	.	.	.	.	.	22—	64	
# Edinburg	.	.	.	.	.	60		
El Paso	.	.	.	.	.	26+	38	50
# Falfurrias	.	.	.	.	.	52		62
Fort Stockton	.	.	.	.	.	22		
# Gonzalez	.	.	.	.	.	64+		
# Harlingen	.	.	.	.	.	23		
# Hebbronville	.	.	.	.	.	58		
Kermit	.	.	.	.	.	14		
# Kingsville	.	.	.	.	.	40		
Lamesa	.	.	.	.	.	28		
Lampasas	.	.	.	.	.	40—		
# Laredo	.	.	.	.	.	15+	27—	39

# McAllen	20—
Marfa	19+
# Mercedes	66
Midland	18
# Mission	70+
# New Braunfels	62—
Odessa	24—
# Pearsall	31—
Pecos	16+
Presidio	21
# Raymondville	64—
San Angelo	17+
# San Antonio	35+
# San Benito	48
# San Marcos	53+
# Seguin	14—
Uvalde	20
# Victoria	19+
# Zapata	49

TABLE C
CO-CHANNEL SEPARATIONS

The minimum co-channel separation is 330 kilometers (205 miles) between co-channel assignments when both are designated by # in Tables A and B. The minimum co-channel separation is 280 kilometers (175 miles) in all other cases.

CUADRO C
SEPARACIONES EN EL MISMO CANAL

[TRADUCTION — TRANSLATION]
TABLEAU C
DISTANCE MINIMUM ENTRE STATIONS
ÉMETTANT SUR LE MÊME CANAL

La separación mínima en un mismo canal es de 330 kilómetros (205 millas) entre asignaciones en un mismo canal cuando ambas aparecen precedidas por el signo # en los cuadros A y B. La separación mínima en un mismo canal es de 280 kilómetros (175 millas) en todos los demás casos.

La distance minimum entre deux stations émettant sur le même canal est de 330 kilomètres quand les stations sont toutes deux précédées du signe # dans les tableaux A et B. Elle est de 280 kilomètres dans tous les autres cas.

OTHER SEPARATIONS — OTRAS SEPARACIONES — AUTRES DISTANCES MINIMUMS

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<i>Channel</i>	<i>32 km (20 miles) (IF beat)</i>	<i>32 km (20 miles) (intermodulation)</i>	<i>90 km (55 miles) (adjacent channel)</i>	<i>95 km (60 miles) (oscillator)</i>	<i>95 km (60 miles) (sound image)</i>	<i>120 km (75 miles) (picture image)</i>
<i>Canal</i>	<i>32 km (20 millas) (batido de FI)</i>	<i>32 km (20 millas) (intermodulación)</i>	<i>90 km (55 millas) (canal adyacente)</i>	<i>95 km (60 millas) (oscilador)</i>	<i>95 km (60 millas) (sonido del canal de imagen)</i>	<i>120 km (75 millas) (figura del canal de imagen)</i>
<i>Canal</i>	<i>32 km (20 miles) (battlement MF)</i>	<i>32 km (20 milles) (intermodulation)</i>	<i>90 km (55 milles) (canaux adjacents)</i>	<i>95 km (60 milles) (oscillateur)</i>	<i>95 km (60 milles) (brouillage image audio)</i>	<i>120 km (75 milles) (brouillage image vidéo)</i>
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16	24	14, 18-21	15, 17	23	30	31
17	25	14-15, 19-22	16, 18	24	31	32
18	26	14-16, 20-23	17, 19	25	32	33
19	27	14-17, 21-24	18, 20	26	33	34
20	28	15-18, 22-25	19, 21	27	34	35
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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	Channel	32 km (20 miles) (IF beat)	32 km (20 miles) (intermodulation)	90 km (55 miles) (adjacent channel)	95 km (60 miles) (oscillator)	95 km (60 miles) (sound image)	120 km (75 miles) (picture image)
	Canal	32 km (20 millas) (batido de FI)	32 km (20 millas) (intermodulación)	90 km (55 millas) (canal adyacente)	95 km (60 millas) (oscilador)	95 km (60 millas) (sonido del canal de imagen)	120 km (75 millas) (figura del canal de imagen)
	Canal	32 km (20 miles) (battement MF)	32 km (20 miles) (intermodulation)	90 km (55 miles) (canaux adjacents)	95 km (60 miles) (oscillateur)	95 km (60 miles) (brouillage image audio)	120 km (75 miles) (brouillage image vidéo)
68	76, 60	63-66, 70-73	67, 69	75, 61	82, 54		83, 53
69	77, 61	64-67, 71-74	68, 70	76, 62	83, 55		54
70	78, 62	65-68, 72-75	69, 71	77, 63		56	55
71	79, 63	66-69, 73-76	70, 72	78, 64		57	56
72	80, 64	67-70, 74-77	71, 73	79, 65		58	57
73	81, 65	68-71, 75-78	72, 74	80, 66		59	58
74	82, 66	69-72, 76-79	73, 75	81, 67		60	59
75	83, 67	70-73, 77-80	74, 76	82, 68		61	60
76	68	71-74, 78-81	75, 77	83, 69		62	61
77	69	72-75, 79-82	76, 78	70		63	62
78	70	73-76, 80-83	77, 79	71		64	63
79	71	74-77, 81-83	78, 80	72		65	64
80	72	75-78, 82-83	79, 81	73		66	65
81	73	76-79, 83	80, 82	74		67	66
82	74	77-80	81, 83	75		68	67
83	75	78-81	82	76		69	68

NOTE : The parenthetical reference beneath the mileage figures in columns 2 through 7, inclusive, indicate, in abbreviated form, the bases for the required mileage separations. The hyphenated numbers listed in column (3) are both inclusive.

NOTA : La referencia entre paréntesis que figura debajo de las cifras relativas a la distancia en millas en las columnas de la 2 a la 7 ambas inclusive, indican, en forma abreviada, las bases para la separación en millas requerida. Los números separados por punto en la columna (3) son ambos

NOTE.—Les indications entre parenthèses placées au-dessous des chiffres de distance en tète des colonnes 2 à 7 donnent, sous une forme abrégée, la raison des distances minimums (en milles) requises. Le trait d'union à la colonne 3 indique que le premier et le second chiffre sont compris.

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the Government of the United States of America will consider this note, together with your note in reply concurring with the above, as constituting an Agreement between the two Governments on this subject, such Agreement to be effective as of the date of Your Excellency's note in reply.

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

Robert C. Hill

His Excellency Sr. Lic. Luis Padilla Nervo
Secretary for Foreign Relations
Mexico, D. F.

II

The Mexican Secretary for Foreign Relations to the American Ambassador

[SPANISH TEXT — TEXTE ESPAGNOL]

SECRETARÍA DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES
ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS
MÉXICO

505542

México, D. F., a 16 de Julio de 1958

Señor Embajador :

Tengo a honra referirme a la atenta nota de Vuestra Excelencia número 1131, fechada el día de hoy, cuyo texto en español es el siguiente :

« Tengo el honor de hacer referencia a las conversaciones sostenidas en Washington, D. C. del 18 al 27 de noviembre de 1957, entre representantes de nuestros respectivos Gobiernos sobre la asignación de Canales de frecuencias ultra-altas para estaciones de televisión a lo largo de la frontera entre los Estados Unidos Mexicanos y los Estados Unidos de América.

« Mi Gobierno me ha autorizado para proponer un Acuerdo en los siguientes términos :

Los gobiernos de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos y de los Estados Unidos de América por intermedio de sus representantes designados han convenido sobre el uso respectivo de los canales de televisión comprendidos en la banda de frecuencias de 470-890 megahertz (Canales del 14 al 83), de conformidad con las disposiciones que a continuación se expresan :

A. Finalidad del Convenio

1. El presente convenio regirá la asignación y el uso de los setenta (70) canales en la banda de radiodifusión de frecuencias ultra-altas en los Estados Unidos Mexicanos y los Estados Unidos de América en localidades situadas dentro de una franja de 320 kilómetros (200 millas) a ambos lados de la frontera entre los dos países.

[TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION²]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
UNITED MEXICAN STATES
MEXICO

505542

México, D. F., July 16, 1958

Mr. Ambassador :

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's courteous note No. 1131, of today's date, the Spanish text of which reads as follows :

[See note I]

In accordance with the final paragraph of Your Excellency's note No. 1131, the Government of the United Mexican States will consider the above-mentioned note and this note in reply as constituting an agreement between our two Governments concerning the assignment of ultra high frequency channels to television stations along the border between the United Mexican States and the United States of America, to enter into force on today's date.

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

L. P. N.

His Excellency Robert C. Hill
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America
City

¹ Translation by the Government of the United States of America.

² Traduction du Gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique.