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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
MEXICO**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement relating to
additional co-operative arrangements to curb illegal
traffic in narcotic drugs. Mexico City, 29 July 1977**

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
et
MEXIQUE**

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à des ar-
rangements de coopération supplémentaires en vue de
réprimer le trafic illicite de stupéfiants. Mexico, 29 juil-
let 1977**

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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND MEXICO RE-
LATING TO ADDITIONAL COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS TO
CURB ILLEGAL TRAFFIC IN NARCOTIC DRUGS

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

July 29, 1977

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In confirmation of recent conversations between officials of our two Governments relating to the cooperation between Mexico and the United States to curb the illegal traffic in narcotics, I am pleased to advise you that the Government of the United States of America, represented by the Embassy of the United States of America, is willing to enter into additional cooperative arrangements with the Government of Mexico, represented by the Office of the Attorney General, to reduce such traffic.

The Government of the United States agrees to provide twelve (12) observation aircraft and one (1) turboprop medium personnel transport aircraft, together with spare parts, at a cost not to exceed one million seven hundred thousand dollars (US \$1,700,000). The Government of Mexico agrees to provide qualified personnel (pilots, observers, and mechanics) as required to maximize the effectiveness of aerial reconnaissance in the eradication campaign and the utilization of the aircraft furnished by the United States Government through this Agreement. In view of the increased number of aircraft used for narcotics control and deployed over an extensive area, the Government of Mexico further agrees to establish a Flight Information Center to provide flight following and flight scheduling of such aircraft. Additionally, the Government of Mexico agrees to adhere to schedules of mutually developed training programs for pilots and mechanics designed to attain higher levels of technical proficiency.

It is understood that the provisions of all previous Agreements between the Government of the United States and the Government of Mexico in relation to the narcotics control effort of the Government of Mexico remain in full force and effect, and applicable to this Agreement unless otherwise expressly modified herein.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of Mexico, this letter and your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

I take this opportunity to reiterate to you the assurances of my highest consideration and personal esteem.

Sincerely,

[Signed]
PATRICK J. LUCEY
Ambassador

His Excellency Lic. Oscar Flores
Attorney General of the Republic
Mexico, D.F.

¹ Came into force on 29 July 1977 by the exchange of the said letters.

Aprovecho la ocasión para expresar a Su Excelencia la seguridad de mi más elevada consideración.

SUFRAGIO EFECTIVO. NO REELECCIÓN
El Procurador General de la República,
[Signed — Signé]
Lic. OSCAR FLORES

Excelentísimo Señor Patrick J. Lucey
Embajador Extraordinario y Plenipotenciario
de los Estados Unidos de América
Ciudad

[TRANSLATION¹ — TRADUCTION²]

UNITED MEXICAN STATES
Office of the Attorney General of the Republic

Mexico, D.F., July 29, 1977

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

I am pleased to reply to your letter of today's date, the text of which, translated into Spanish, reads as follows:

[See letter I]

I wish to inform you that the Government of Mexico agrees to the terms of the letter transcribed.

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

[EFFECTIVE SUFFRAGE. NO RE-ELECTION]
[Signed]
OSCAR FLORES
Attorney General of the Republic

His Excellency Patrick J. Lucey
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
of the United States of America
Mexico, D.F.

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

² Traduction fournie par le Gouvernement des Etats-Unis d'Amérique.