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INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION
UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

El Paso, Texas
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MINUTE NO. 203

PLANS AND PROCEDURES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
THE ANZALDUAS DIVERSION DAM

The Commission met in the offices of the United States Section in El Paso, Texas, on December 23, 1955, at 10:00 a.m., to review the plans for construction of the Anzaldúas Diversion Dam, as provided for in Minute No. 196 relating to "Modification of the Original Plan for the Lower Rio Grande International Flood Control Project", adopted December 18, 1950, and subsequently approved by both Governments.

In accordance with the recommendations contained in the Joint Report of the Principal Engineers attached to that Minute, the preparation of final design of the dam was undertaken and studies were made of plans and procedures for its construction, as well as the allocation of work items for performance by each Section of the Commission.

The result of the studies undertaken is summarized in the "Joint Report of the Principal Engineers on the Recommended Plans for Construction of the Anzaldúas Diversion Dam", dated December 9, 1955, which has been presented to the Commission and of which copies, in English and in Spanish, are attached as Exhibits Nos. 1 and 2 and form part of this Minute.

The Commission carefully reviewed the said Joint Report and agreed that it clearly describes the plans developed for construction of the dam and that the recommendations contained therein are in accordance with the understandings in Minute No. 196 and with the provisions of the Water Treaty.

The Commission then adopted the following resolution:

- "1. The 'Joint Report of the Principal Engineers on the Recommended Plans for Construction of the Anzaldúas Diversion Dam', submitted by Principal Engineers J. F. Friedkin and J. C. Bustamante, under date of December 9, 1955, is approved.

- "2. It is recommended that the two Governments approve the plans for construction of the Anzaldúas Diversion Dam described in the above-mentioned Joint Report of the Principal Engineers, subject to such modifications as the Commission may consider necessary in order to facilitate construction or to assure proper functioning of the structure.
- "3. The Commission finds that the division of work items and the allocation thereof to the two Sections for performance, as recommended by the Principal Engineers, is sound from the engineering standpoint and provides equal division of construction costs pursuant to Minute No. 196. The said division and allocation of work items are therefore recommended for approval by the two Governments, subject to such modifications as the Commission may consider equitable in the event conditions found during construction necessitate changes in the design of the structure and such changes result in a material increase in the quantities of work as estimated by the Principal Engineers, and subject also to exchanges between the two Sections of work items or portions thereof which in the opinion of the Commission may be necessary or desirable in order to facilitate construction, provided that such exchanges shall not affect the cost of work allocated to either of the two Sections.
- "4. The procedures recommended by the Principal Engineers for performance of the work by awarding separate contracts and for supervision and inspection of the work, are approved."

The meeting then adjourned.

(signed) L. H. Hewitt
Commissioner of the United States

(signed) D. Herrera J.
Commissioner of Mexico

(signed) George H. Winters
Secretary of the United States
Section

(signed) Fernando Rivas S.
Secretary of the Mexican Section