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PROTOCOL CONCERNING THE USE
OF THE 806-824/851-869 AND 896-901/935-940 MHZ BANDS
FOR LAND MOBILE SERVICES ALONG THE COMMON BORDER

This Protocol is being concluded pursuant to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States Concerning the Allocation and Use of Frequency Bands by Terrestrial Non-Broadcasting Radiocommunication Services Along the Common Border signed June 16, 1994, herein referred to as the Agreement.

ARTICLE I. Purposes

The purposes of this Protocol are:

- 1. To establish and adopt a common plan for the use of frequencies within a distance of 110 km on each side of the common border (Sharing Zone) and to achieve an equitable distribution of the available channels.
- 2. To create public safety mutual aid channels for use on both sides of the common border.
- 3. To establish the technical criteria that will permit each Administration to regulate the use of the available channels.
- 4. To establish conditions of use so that each
 Administration may use the channels allotted to the other
 country, provided this causes no interference.

ARTICLE II. Definition

For the purpose of this Protocol and as provided for in Article IV of the Agreement, the term Administration(s) shall refer to the Federal Communications Commission of the United States of America and the Secretaria de Comunicaciones y Transportes of the United Mexican States.

ARTICLE III. Conditions of Use

- 1. In the Sharing Zone, the frequencies in the bands 806-824/851-869 and 896-901/935-940 MHz shall be shared by the Administrations in accordance with the tables in Appendices A and B, which are an integral part of this Protocol.
- 2. The following paired channels shall be available to Administrations as public safety mutual aid channels for

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coordination of communications between different public safety agencies or for other similar emergency communications:

<u>Mobile</u>		<u> 8ase</u>		
821.0125 MHz 821.5125 MHz 822.0125 MHz 822.5125 MHz 823.0125 MHz	calling	866.0125 866.5125 867.0125 867.5125 868.0125	MHz MHz MHz	calling

These channels shall be used in accordance with the sharing principles set forth in Appendix C, which is an integral part of this Protocol.

3. Assignments made by an Administration on its own primary allotment frequencies within the Sharing Zone shall be authorized subject to the Effective Radiated Power (ERP) and Antenna Height limits specified in the following table:

Antenna Height Above	Mean Sea Leve	el ERP
Met	ers	Watts (Maximum)
	0 to 503	500
Above 50	3 to 609	350
Above 60	19 to 762	200
Above 7	i2 to 914	140
Above 9	.4 to 1066	100
Above 10	6 to 1219	75
Above 12	.9 to 1371	70
Above 13	'l to 1523	65
Above 152	:3	5

- 4. Frequencies allotted for the primary use of one country may be assigned by the other country within the Sharing Zone under the following conditions:
- (a) The maximum power flux density (pfd) at any point at or beyond the border shall not exceed $-107~\mathrm{dBW/m^2}$.
- (b) Administrations shall take proper measures to eliminate any harmful interference caused by their licensees
- (c) Each Administration shall grant protection to stations that have primary use of the authorized frequency.
- (d Stations operating under this provision shall be considered as secondary and shall not be granted protection from harmful interference from stations that have primary use of the authorized frequency.

- 5. Within the Sharing Zone, the Administrations shall use the spectrum on the basis of a two frequency channeling plan, with the base and mobile transmissions as specified in Appendices A and B. A mobile station may also transmit on any frequency assigned to its associated base station.
- 6. Beyond the Sharing Zone, the Administrations have unrestricted use of these bands.
- 7. Certain frequencies identified in Appendix B shall be used as guard channels to prevent adjacent channel interference to stations operating on their country's primary use frequency

ARTICLE IV. Entry Into Force and Termination

This Protocol shall enter into force on the same date as the Agreement. It shall remain in force until it is replaced by a new Protocol, or until it is terminated in accordance with Article VII of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the respective representatives have signed the present Protocol.

Done at Williamsburg, Virginia, this sixteenth day of June, 1994, in duplicate, in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES:

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TABLE OF ALLOTMENT

Bands 806-821/851-866 MHz and 896-901/935-940 MHz

A. Specific Frequency Allotments

Channel	Pase Frequency	Mobile Frequency	Country
12345678901234567890123456789012345678901234564545456	865.975 .950 .925 .900 .875 .850 .825 .800 .775 .750 .725 .700 .675 .650 .525 .500 .475 .450 .425 .400 .375 .350 .325 .300 .275 .250 .225 .200 .175 .150 .125 .100 .075 .050 .025 .000 864.975 .950 .925 .900 .875 .850	820.975 .950 .925 .900 .875 .850 .825 .800 .775 .750 .725 .700 .675 .650 .625 .600 .575 .550 .525 .500 .475 .450 .425 .400 .375 .350 .325 .300 .275 .250 .225 .200 .175 .150 .125 .100 .075 .050 .025 .000 819.975 .950 .925 .900 .875 .850	MEXICO
47 48 49	. 825 . 800 . 775	.825 .800 .775	MEXICO U.S. MEXICO

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	.725 .700 .675 .650 .575 .550 .575 .550 .575 .500 .450 .450 .375 .225 .200 .175 .005 .005 .005 .005 .005 .005 .005 .0

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111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123	863.225 .200 .175 .150 .125 .100 .075 .050 .025 .000 862.975 .950 .925	313.225 .200 .175 .150 .125 .100 .075 .050 .025 .000 817.975 .950 .925	MEXICO U.S. MEXICO U.S. MEXICO U.S. MEXICO U.S. MEXICO U.S. MEXICO U.S.
125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135 136 137 138 139 140	.875 .850 .825 .800 .775 .750 .725 .700 .675 .650 .625 .500 .575 .550	.975 .850 .825 .800 .775 .750 .725 .700 .675 .650 .625 .600 .575 .550	MEXICO U.S. MEXICO
142 143 144 145 146 147 148 149 150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157	.450 .425 .400 .375 .350 .325 .300 .275 .250 .225 .200 .175 .150 .125 .100	.450 .425 .400 .375 .350 .325 .300 .275 .250 .225 .200 .175 .150 .125 .100	U.S. MEXICO U.S.
159 160 161 162 163 164 165 166 167 168 169	.025 .000 861.975 .950 .925 .900 .875 .850 .825 .800 .775	.025 .000 816.975 .950 .925 .900 .875 .850 .825 .800 .775	MEXICO U.S.

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171 172 173 174 175 177 178 179 180 181 182 183 184 185 186 187 188 189	\$61.725 .700 .675 .650 .625 .600 .575 .550 .525 .500 .475 .450 .425 .400 .375 .350 .325 .300 .275	816.725 .700 .675 .650 .625 .600 .575 .550 .525 .500 .475 .450 .425 .400 .375 .350 .325 .300 .275	MEXICO U.S. MEXICO
188	.300	. 300	U.S.
189	.275	. 275	MEXICO
192	.200	.200	U.S.
193	.175	.175	MEXICO
194	.150	.150	U.S.
195	.125	.125	MEXICO
196	.100	.100	U.S.
197	.075	.075	MEXICO
198	.050	.050	U.S.
199	.025	.025	MEXICO
200	861.000	816.000	U.S.

B. Specific Sub-band Allotments

1. MEXICO

Base	Mobile
851.000 to 856.000 MHz	806.000 to 811.000 MHz
937.50625 to 940.0 MHz	898.50625 to 901.0 MHz

2. UNITED STATES

Base	Mobile	
856.000 to 861.000 MHz	811.000 to 816.000 MHz	
935.0 to 937.50625 MHz	896.0 to 898.50625 MHz	

APPENDIX B

TABLE OF ALLCTMENT

Bands 921-824 MHz and 866-869 MHz

Channel	Base Frequency	Mobile Frequency	Country	\$
601 602 603 600 600 600 600 600 600 600	866.0125 .0250 .0375 .0500 .0625 .0750 .0875 .1000 .1125 .1250 .1375 .1500 .1625 .1750 .1875 .2000 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2625 .2750 .2875 .3000 .3125 .3250 .3375 .3500 .3625 .3750 .3875 .4000 .4125 .4250 .4375 .4500 .4625 .4750 .4875 .5000 .5125 .5250 .5375 .5500 .5625 .5750 .5875 .5500 .5625 .5750 .5625 .6600 .6625 .66	821.0125 .0250 .0375 .0500 .0625 .0625 .0875 .1000 .1125 .1250 .1375 .1500 .1625 .1750 .1875 .2000 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2625 .2750 .2875 .3000 .3125 .3250 .3375 .3500 .3625 .3750 .3875 .4000 .4125 .4250 .4375 .4500 .4625 .4750 .4875 .5000 .5125 .5250 .5375 .5500 .5625 .5750 .5875 .5000 .5125 .5250 .5375 .5500 .5625 .5750 .5875 .5000 .5125 .5250 .5375 .5500 .5625 .5750 .5875 .6000 .6125 .6250 .6375	Country Both Countries Not Available U.S. "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "	
649	. 6500	. 6500	Guard Channel	

5512345678901234567890123456*7***********************************	\$66.5625 .6750 .5875 .7000 .7125 .7250 - .7375 .7500 .7625 .7750 .7875 .8000 .8125 .8250 .8375 .9500 .8625 .9750 .9875 .9950 .9125 .9250 .9375 .9500 .9625 .9750 .9875 .0250 .0375 .0500 .0625 .0750 .0875 .1000 .1125 .1250 .1375 .1500 .1625 .1750 .1875 .2000 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2625 .2750 .2875 .3000 .3125 .2500 .3125 .3250 .3375 .3500 .3500	\$21.6625 .6750 .6875 .7000 .7125 .7250 .7375 .7500 .7625 .7750 .7875 .8000 .8125 .8250 .8375 .8500 .8625 .8750 .9875 .9900 .9125 .9750 .9875 .9750 .9875 .9875 .9875 .9875 .0500 .0625 .0750 .0875 .1000 .1125 .1250 .1375 .1500 .1625 .1750 .1875 .2000 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2125 .2250 .2375 .2500 .2500 .25	Guard Channel "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" ""

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710 711 712 713 714	867.4375 • .4500 .4625 .4750 .4875	822.4375 .4500 .4625 .4750	U.S. "
715 716 717	.5000 .5125 .5250 .5375	.4875 .5000 .5125 .5250 .5375	Not Available Both Countries Not Available U.S.
718 719 720 721	.5500 .5625 .5750 .5875 .6000	.5500 .5625 .5750 .5875 .6000	a a a u
722 723 724 725 726	.6125 .5250 .5375 .6500 .6625	.6125 .5250 .6375 .6500 .6625	" " Guard Channel MEXICO
727 728 729 730 731	.5750 .6875 .7000 .7125 .7250	.6750 .6875 .7000 .7125 .7250	11 11 11
732 733 734 735 736	. 7375 . 7500 . 7625 . 7750 . 7875	.7375 .7500 .7625 .7750 .7875	11 14 14 14 14 14
737 738 739 740 741	.8000 .8125 .8250 .8375	.8000 .8125 .8250 .8375	16 10 11
742 743 744 745	.8500 .8625 .8750 .8875 .9000	. 8500 . 8625 . 8750 . 8875 . 9000	" Guard Channel U.S. "
746 747 748 749 750	.9125 .9250 .9375 .9500 .9625	.9125 .9250 .9375 .9500 .9625	11 11 11 11
751 752 *** 753 ***	.9750 .9875 868.0000 .0125 .0250	.9750 .9875 823.0000 .0125 .0250	" Not Available Both Countries Not Available
754 755 756 757 758	.0375 .0500 .0625 .0750 .0875	.0375 .0500 .0625 .0750 .0875	U.S.
759 760 761 762 763	.1000 .1125 .1250 .1375 .1500	.1000 .1125 .1250 .1375 .1500	" " " Guard Channel

804 .6625 .6625 805 .6750 806 .6875 807 .7000 808 .7125 809 .7250 810 .7375 811 .7500 812 .7625 813 .7750 814 .7875 815 .8000 816 .8125 817 .8250 818 .8375 819 820 821
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825 826 827 828 829	,868.9250 .9375 .9500 .9625 .9750			823.9250 .9375 .9500 .9625 .9750	บ.s. "	. ••
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APPENDIX C

SHARING PRINCIPLES FOR MUTUAL AID CHANNELS

This Appendix describes the sharing principles for the use of the five public safety mutual aid channel pairs on both sides of the common border.

1. The following channels will be used as public safety mutual aid channels:

WODITE	Base
821.0125 MHz calling	866.0125 MHz calling
821.5125 MHz	866.5125 MHz
822.0125 MHz	867.0125 MHz
822.5125 MHz	867.5125 MHz
823.0125 MHz	868.0125 MHz

- 2. All equipment capable of operating on the mutual aid channels must be equipped with the tone squelch of 156.7 Hz.
- 3. The channels shall be 25 kHz wide.
- 4. Within 110 kilometers of the common border, neither country shall assign frequencies closer than 25 kHz to any of the mutual aid channels.
- 5. The mutual aid channels are available on a shared basis to duly-authorized public safety agencies on both sides of the border. Users must first monitor the frequency before transmitting to ensure that any on-going emergency communications are not interrupted.
- 6. The mutual aid channels are to be used only for coordination of tactical communications between different public safety agencies, or for other similar emergency situations. They must not be used for administrative or other routine communications.

- When the Administrations designate regions along the border, they will designate and exchange local points of contact in the corresponding regions to facilitate the coordination of base stations established to provide mutual aid capabilities across the border
- 8 Requests for aid across the border should first be made on the calling channel 821.0125/866.0125 MHz.
- 9 Regions that operate on these mutual aid channels shall designate agencies to monitor the calling channel on a 24 hour basis every day of the year.
- 10. The points of contact in adjoining regions across the border shall participate in the cooperative establishment of priorities in the case of multiple emergencies requiring use of the channels according to the following general priorities:
 - Priority A: Large scale disaster and emergency situations involving imminent danger to the safety of the public at large (e.g., earthquakes, large chemical spills).

Priority B: Other emergency situations involving imminent danger to the safety of life or property.

Priority C: Special event control activities, generally of a pre-planned nature, and requiring coordination of two or more agencies.

Priority D: Drill, test, and exercises of civil defense or disaster response procedures.

Whenever the use of a higher priority is required, all lower priority operations must cease in any area where interference to the use of a higher priority could occur.