

BOUNDARY WATERS: RIO GRANDE AND RIO COLORADO

Convention signed at Washington October 1, 1895, extending the convention of March 1, 1889

Ratified by Mexico November 5, 1895

Senate advice and consent to ratification December 17, 1895

Ratified by the President of the United States December 21, 1895

Ratifications exchanged at Washington December 21, 1895

Entered into force December 21, 1895

Proclaimed by the President of the United States December 21, 1895

Expired December 24, 1896

Whereas the United States of America and the United States of Mexico desire to comply fully with the provisions of the Convention concluded and signed at Washington, March 1, 1889, to facilitate the carrying out of the principles contained in the Convention of November 12, 1884, between the two High Contracting Parties, and to avoid the difficulties occasioned by reason of the changes which take place in the beds of the Rio Grande and Colorado River in that portion thereof where they serve as a boundary line between the two Republics; And whereas the time fixed by Article IX of the Convention of March 1, 1889, will expire December 24, 1895; And whereas the two High Contracting Parties deem it expedient to agree upon an extension of the time stipulated in Article IX aforesaid, to the end that the International Boundary Commission may conclude the examination and decision of the cases submitted to it, they have appointed for this purpose their respective plenipotentiaries, to wit:

The President of the United States of America, Richard Olney, Secretary of State of the United States of America; and

The President of the United States of Mexico, Matias Romero, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of Mexico at Washington,

Who, after having communicated to each other their respective full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon and concluded the following article:

ARTICLE

The duration of the Convention of March 1, 1889, between the United States of America and the United States of Mexico, which, in virtue of the provisions of Article IX thereof, was to continue in force for a period of five years from the date of the exchange of its ratifications, and which will terminate December 24, 1895, hereby extended for the period of one, from that date.

This Convention shall be ratified by the High Contracting Parties in conformity with their respective Constitutions, and its ratifications shall be exchanged at Washington as soon as possible.

In faith whereof, we, the undersigned, in virtue of our respective full powers, have signed this convention, in duplicate, in the English and Spanish languages, and have thereunto affixed our respective seals.

Done at the City of Washington, this first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

RICHARD OLNEY [SEAL]

M. ROMERO [SEAL]