LOCAL ARRANGEMENT FOR REPATRIATION OF MEXICAN NATIONALS

The Consulate General of Mexico in Dallas, Texas and the Dallas Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Field Offices (Office of Investigations and Office of Detention and Removal) and the Dallas Field Office for Customs and Border Protection, of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) of the United States of America (the United States), all together hereinafter referred to as "the Participants":

RECOGNIZING the obligations of Mexico and the United States of America set forth in the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations of April 24, 1963, of which both are Contracting Parties, and in the Consular Convention between the United Mexican States and the United States of America of August 12, 1942;

BEARING IN MIND the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding on Consular Protection of Mexican and United States Nationals, of May 7, 1996; and the Memorandum of Understanding on Consultation Mechanisms of the Immigration and Naturalization Service Functions and Consular Protection, of June 11, 1998;

RECOGNIZING the need to regulate the flow of persons, particularly on the common border, as was reflected in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Homeland Security of the United States of America and the Secretariat of Governance and the Secretariat of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States, on the Safe, Orderly, Dignified and Humane Repatriation of Mexican Nationals, signed on February 20, 2004 (hereinafter the MOU);

CONSIDERING that the Governments of the United States of America and the United States of Mexico have approached the topic of migration at the highest level, and that the Joint Declaration "Towards a Partnership for Prosperity: The Guanajuato Proposal" addresses this issue as a matter of cooperation and shared responsibility.
CONSIDERING that in 1997 the Working Group on Migration and Consular Affairs of the Mexico-U.S. Binational Commission was established as a means of developing improved procedures for repatriating Mexican nationals in a safe, dignified and orderly way with respect to their human rights, and that this Working Group has strengthened the mutual collaboration in the subsequent sessions on those matters;


Have established the following Local Arrangement:

CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES

SECTION 1

The purpose of this Arrangement is to establish local procedures for the orderly and safe repatriation of Mexican nationals from the United States to Mexico, consistent with the criteria and principles referred to in Article 3 of the February 20, 2004 Memorandum of Understanding on the Safe, Orderly, Dignified and Humane Repatriation of Mexican Nationals (the MOU).

SECTION 2

Consistent with the MOU, repatriations from the interior, ports of entry and at the border of the United States and Mexico should be conducted in a manner that will be consistent with the respect of the human rights and dignity of Mexican nationals found in the United States in violation of U.S. immigration law.
SECTION 3

Under this Arrangement:

The Consulate General of Mexico in Dallas, Texas, should take appropriate actions with respect to Mexican nationals found in, detained in or repatriated from the counties listed in the ATTACHMENT "A".

The following DHS authorities should take appropriate actions with respect to Mexicans found in, detained in or repatriated from the counties listed above:

a) Customs and Border Protection (CBP): Dallas Office of Field Operations; Dallas Office of U.S. Border Patrol, Laredo Sector

b) Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE): Dallas Detention and Removal Operations (DRO); Dallas Office of Investigations

When the repatriation of a Mexican national involves areas covered by this Arrangement and one or more additional local arrangements (e.g., the individual is detained by DHS in a county covered by this arrangement and is to be repatriated at a point of repatriation covered by another local arrangement) this Arrangement will apply to the actions that take place within the area covered by this Arrangement, and the other local arrangement(s) will apply to the actions that take place within the area(s) covered by the other local arrangement(s).

CONSULAR NOTIFICATION AND ACCESS

SECTION 4

The DHS Participants should advise every detained Mexican national (who is not also a U.S. national) that he/she may communicate with a consular official. When
a detained Mexican national requests consular access, the DHS Participants should notify the Mexican Consulate, facilitate access and provide Mexican consular officials, to the extent practicable, the opportunity to conduct interviews in private. The DHS Participants should make available to the Mexican Participants copies of applicable regulations and the DHS Detention Standards applicable to all persons detained for a period longer than 72 hours. Consular notification should be made according with the contact list in “ATTACHMENT 1”.

SECTION 5

The Participants have listed in Attachment 1 the names and titles of, and contact information for, their officials who are responsible for the delivery to, or reception of Mexican nationals, in Mexico, or for the coordination of repatriation activities.

SECTION 6

The DHS Participants should provide to the appropriate points of contact designated by the Mexican participants in Attachment 1 the names and appropriate information of Mexican nationals being directly repatriated at the ports of entry or from the borders of the United States for whom notifications have not previously been made but who are suspected of committing, or known to have committed criminal violations, in the United States or Mexico, as well as those identified as being of special interest to the Government of Mexico. Such notification should be provided in a timely manner prior to any repatriation.

Local procedures should be developed as necessary to ensure that repatriation is accomplished in a coordinated manner through a mechanism developed by the appropriate officials of both countries when an individual who is suspected of committing, or known to have committed, criminal violations has been identified as being of special interest to the Government of Mexico in response to a previous notification.

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SECTION 7

The Participants should set forth the conditions for routine notification of repatriations of Mexican nationals from the interior, ports of entry, and at the border of the United States and Mexico. Notification of routine repatriations should be done in a manner consistent with logistical and operational needs.

The DHS Participants should whenever possible, consistent with logistical and operational needs, deliver to the appropriate Mexican Participants at established points of repatriation and at the time of repatriation, a list of Mexican nationals to be repatriated, which includes at least name, sex, date and place of birth.

The Mexican Participants should provide appropriate officials at the established points of repatriation to receive the requested information.

SECTION 8

The Participants have established the points of repatriation, and their hours of scheduled operation and staffing, in Attachment 2. The Participants should update the Attachment whenever the points of repatriation or their hours of scheduled operation and staffing change. The Mexican Participants should make every effort to ensure that agreed-upon points of repatriation are fully staffed with appropriate local, state and/or federal entities responsible for the health, welfare and safety of Mexican nationals.

SECTION 9

The Participants have listed in Attachment 3 the points of contact to receive and/or convey information about incidents involving reported misconduct, mistreatment or violations of human rights.
In regard to the solution of differences in the application or interpretation of this Arrangement, the procedures established in articles 8 and 1 b) of the MOU remain applicable.

**INTERIOR AND BORDER COORDINATION**

**SECTION 10**

The unity of families should be preserved during repatriation, within administrative parameters. For purposes of this Arrangement, the Participants define "family" as including spouses (including common law spouses), children, siblings (brothers and sisters), parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. When doubts about kinship between juveniles and adults exist, DHS participants should coordinate with the Consulate of Mexico in order to safe-guard the well-being of the juveniles.

**SECTION 11**

The Participants should repatriate persons with special needs during daylight hours to ensure their safety. For purposes of this Arrangement, “persons with special needs” may include, but are not limited to, unaccompanied minors, the elderly, pregnant women, and individuals who are mentally or medically incapacitated. The Mexican participants should make every effort to have the appropriate representatives receive such persons upon repatriation from the United States. Repatriation of such persons should generally be arranged in a timely manner.

**SECTION 12**

If additional preparation is required to receive an unaccompanied minor or an individual with medical, mental or other special needs, the DHS Participants should coordinate directly with the Consulate General of Mexico in Dallas.

**ARRANGEMENT'S EVALUATION**

**SECTION 13**
Based on the framework of Article 5 of the MOU, when specific circumstances so require and if deemed feasible, the Repatriation Technical Working Group will explore bilateral mechanisms for repatriation of Mexican nationals to their places of origin, conforming to the agreed principles.

The Participants may also propose special programs for consideration by the Repatriation Technical Working Group.

The Participants should develop local procedures to implement approved special programs.

SECTION 14

The Participants should meet no less than two times per year to review the arrangement and discuss repatriation issues. The Participants should refer to the Repatriation Technical Working Group: (a) unresolved issues; (b) best practices; (c) new or emerging repatriation issues, and (d) proposed changes in, or proposed termination of, the local repatriation arrangement.

The local repatriation procedures should be reviewed and updated in consultation with the Repatriation Technical Working Group at least on an annual basis.
Signed in Dallas, Texas on this January 20, 2004 in two originals in the Spanish and English languages, being both texts equally valid.

FOR THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF MEXICO IN DALLAS

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## ATTACHMENT A

**CONSULAR JURISDICTION OF THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF MEXICO IN DALLAS**

### TEXAS COUNTRIES

1. ANDERSON  
2. ANDREWS  
3. ARCHER  
4. ARMSTRONG  
5. BAILEY  
6. BAYLOR  
7. BORDEN  
8. BOSQUE  
9. BOWIE  
10. BRISCOE  
11. CALLAHAN  
12. CAMP  
13. CARSON  
14. CASS  
15. CASTRO  
16. CROSBY  
17. CHEROKEE  
18. CHILDRESS  
19. CLAY  
20. COCHRAN  
21. COLLIN  
22. COLLINGSWORTH  
23. COOKE  
24. COTTLE  
25. DALLAM  
26. DALLAS  
27. DAWSON  
28. DEAF SMITH  
29. DELTA  
30. DENTON  
31. DICKENS  
32. DONLEY  
33. EASTLAND  
34. ELLIS  
35. ERATH  
36. FISHER  
37. FANNIN  
38. FLOYD  
39. FOARD  
40. FRANKLIN  
41. FREESTONE  
42. GAINES  
43. GARZA  
44. GRAY  
45. GRAYSON  
46. GREGG  
47. HALE  
48. HALL  
49. HANSFORD  
50. HARDEMAN  
51. HARRISON  
52. HARTLEY  
53. HASKELL  
54. HEMPHILL  
55. HENDERSON  
56. HILL  
57. HOCKLEY  
58. HOOD  
59. HOPKINS  
60. HOWARD  
61. HUNT  
62. HUTCHINSON  
63. JACK  
64. JOHNSON  
65. JONES  
66. KAUFMAN  
67. KENT  
68. KING  
69. KNOX  
70. LAMAR  
71. LAMB  
72. LIPSCOMB  
73. LOVING  
74. LUBBOCK  
75. LYNN  
76. MARTIN  
77. MARION  
78. MITCHELL  
79. MONTAGUE  
80. MOORE  
81. MORRIS  
82. MOTLEY  
83. NACOGDOCHES  
84. NAVARRO  
85. NOLAN  
86. OCHILTREE  
87. OLDHAM  
88. PALO PINTO  
89. PANOLA  
90. PARKER  
91. PARMER  
92. POTTER  
93. RAINS  
94. RANDALL  
95. RED RIVER  
96. ROBERTS  
97. ROCKWALL  
98. RUSK  
99. SCURRY  
100. SHACKELFORD  
101. SHELBY  
102. SHERMAN  
103. SMITH  
104. SOMERVELL  
105. STEPHENS  
106. STONEWALL  
107. SWISHER  
108. TARRANT  
109. TAYLOR  
110. TERRY  
111. THROCKMORTON  
112. TITUS  
113. UPHUR  
114. VAN ZANDT  
115. WHEELER  
116. WICHITA  
117. WILBARGER  
118. WISE  
119. WOOD  
120. YOAKUM  
121. YOUNG
ATTACHMENT 1

DHS Participants, Dallas, Texas

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ATTACHMENT 2

1. The participants have agreed to closely coordinate repatriations in a safe, humane, and orderly manner. In the interest of all participants, it is agreed that the primary vehicle for effecting repatriation will continue to be the utilization of the daily bus run through the Ports of Entry in Laredo, Texas, Del Rio, Texas and/or Eagle Pass, Texas. Hours of repatriation will be consistent with the local agreement covering those Ports of Entry. This does not preclude the Dallas DRO Office from utilizing other methods of transportation and Ports of Entry in case of emergency.

2. For all cases requiring additional preparation to receive an unaccompanied minor or an individual with medical, mental or other special needs, the DHS participants should coordinate directly with the Mexican Consulate to make the necessary arrangements prior to the removal.

3. The repatriation of persons of special interest to, and fugitives wanted by the Government of Mexico, should be done separately from the repatriation of other Mexican nationals. These procedures will comply with the specific procedures that both Federal governments (Washington and Mexico City) might agree to in the future.

4. Under most circumstances, the bus run will continue to be staged on a daily basis at the Dallas DRO Field Office and/or the Rolling Plains Detention Center in Haskell, Texas. Any changes to the bus run will be communicated to the Consulate General of Mexico in Dallas, Texas in advance.
ATTACHMENT 3

The Participants agree to report any incidents or allegations involving employees, in writing, as soon as possible, after the incident or allegation occurs. The relevant points of contact for matters of concern are listed below. In case of an emergency, reports may be made telephonically and followed by a written report.

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