

INTER-AMERICAN HIGHWAY

Exchange of notes at Guatemala May 19, 1943

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Amended by agreements of May 18, 1948,¹ and July 28 and August 28, 1954²

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The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

[TRANSLATION]

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GUATEMALA, May 19, 1943

MR. AMBASSADOR:

I have the honor to refer to the kind note no. 32 of the Legation of the United States of February 16, 1942, in which my attention is called to the provisions of public law no. 375 of the United States of December 26, 1941,³ which provides for the cooperation of the United States with the Central American Republics for the construction of the Inter-American Highway.

Although there is already a continuous road across Guatemala, my Government has been informed that the improvement of certain sections of that road is very desirable, in order that it may conform to the types of construction considered for the Inter-American Highway. Accordingly, my Government desires to request the cooperation of the United States Government, under the provisions of the said law, in accordance with the following terms:

(1) The Government of the Republic of Guatemala agrees with pleasure that engineers designated by the two Governments should express jointly, after such study as they may deem proper, what are the changes which should be made in each section of the Pan American Highway that the Government of Guatemala has built. My Government would assume the obligation to pay one third of the cost of the work, provided that the execution of the said work is accommodated to the sums determined and fixed by the budget of the Republic for each fiscal year.

¹ TIAS 2001, *post*, p. 596.

² 5 UST 2244; TIAS 3084.

³ 55 Stat. 860.