PLANTATION RUBBER INVESTIGATIONS

Memorandum of agreement signed April 11, 1941
Entered into force April 11, 1941
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Extended by agreement of July 10 and September 20, 1943 ³

57 Stat. 1282; Executive Agreement Series 364

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SECRETARIA DE AGRICULTURA Y FOMENTO OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The interest and desire of the Governments of the United Mexican States and of the United States of America in development of a source of crude rubber has already been expressed in previous correspondence and in active cooperative survey work. It is recognized by both Governments as a result of their studies and surveys that the development of a source of crude rubber must be based on the use of superior strains of *Hevea brasiliensis* if the industry is to be self-sustaining.

The representatives of the Secretaría de Agricultura y Fomento of the United Mexican States and those of the Department of Agriculture of the United States of America have consulted and tentatively selected two or three areas suitable for nurseries which can also serve as demonstration plots and centers for distribution of *Hevea brasiliensis*.

In order to make available the desirable strains of *Hevea brasiliensis* and to study and encourage the best methods of cultural practices, the following Memorandum is hereby agreed upon:

The Secretaria de Agricultura y Fomento of the United Mexican States Agrees:

1. To maintain nurseries and experimental plots at its own expense, furnishing for this purpose fifty hectares of land for nurseries and one hundred hectares of land already planted with *Hevea brasiliensis* for experimental purposes in the region known as "El Palmar" in the State of Veracruz and in other places which may be selected in the future. To assign one or more

¹ EAS 364, post, p. 1067.

² EAS 364, post, p. 1125.

^{* 57} Stat. 1278; EAS 364.