

BOUNDARY WATERS: RIO GRANDE AND RIO COLORADO

*Convention signed at Washington October 29, 1897, extending the
convention of March 1, 1889, as extended*

Ratified by Mexico November 2, 1897

Senate advice and consent to ratification December 16, 1897

Ratified by the President of the United States December 20, 1897

Ratifications exchanged at Washington December 21, 1897

Entered into force December 21, 1897

Proclaimed by the President of the United States December 21, 1897

Expired December 24, 1898

30 Stat. 1625; Treaty Series 240

Whereas the United States of America and the United States of Mexico desire to give full effect to the provisions of the Convention concluded and signed in Washington March 1, 1889,¹ to facilitate the execution of the provisions contained in the Treaty signed by the two High Contracting Parties on the 12th of November, 1884,² and to avoid the difficulties arising from the changes which are taking place in the beds of the Bravo del Norte and Colorado Rivers in those parts which serve as a boundary between the two Republics;

And whereas the period fixed by Article IX of the Convention of March 1, 1889, extended by the conventions of October 1, 1895,³ and November 6, 1896,⁴ expires on the 24th of December, 1897;

And whereas the two High Contracting Parties deem it expedient to extend the period fixed by Article IX of the Convention of March 1, 1889, and by the sole Article of the Convention of October 1, 1895, and that of November 6, 1896, in order that the International Boundary Commission may be able to conclude the examination and decision of the cases which have been submitted to it, they have, for that purpose, appointed their respective Plenipotentiaries, to wit:

The President of the United States of America, John Sherman, Secretary of State of the United States of America; and

¹ TS 232, *ante*, p. 877.

² TS 226, *ante*, p. 865.

³ TS 236, *ante*, p. 887.

⁴ TS 238, *ante*, p. 892.