Texas Lottery Commission Press Release - May 25, 2001

Contact: Leticia Vasquez, 512/344-5208

PHARR PARTNERSHIP COLLECTS TEXAS MILLION PRIZE

(Austin, May 25) - The Rojas and Smith Partnership of Pharr today collected the top prize of \$1 million in the Texas Lottery's *Texas Million* game. Adriana Garza and Josefina Smith Rojas are the general partners.

The winning ticket was purchased at the RC Mini Mart, located at I Road and Chaparral in San Juan. The drawing was held on Friday, May 4, 2001.

For selling a winning ticket, the retailer is eligible to receive a one-percent bonus of \$10,000.

The winning numbers were 3-17-22-18. The numbers were selected randomly.

Prizes of \$1,000,000 must be claimed at Lottery Headquarters in Austin, and are not official until validated through Lottery Security.

Members of the partnership requested minimal publicity.

The last *Texas Million* drawing was held Friday, May 11th.

The jackpot for tonight's *Texas Two Step* drawing is \$350,000. Tomorrow's *Lotto Texas* jackpot is an estimated \$6 million.

. . . .

The Texas Lottery, the 4th largest selling lottery in North America, is "Focusing on the Future of Education, One Ticket At A Time." By providing the 'Games of Texas' for more than 10 years, the Texas Lottery Commission (TLC) has generated more than \$10 billion for the state and paid nearly \$17 billion to players in prizes. For more information about the TLC, please visit the official website at http://www.txlottery.org

-30-