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(e) Section 637(a), which relates to administrative expenses, is amended by striking out "1966 not to exceed \$54,240,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "1967 not to exceed \$55,813,500".

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Public Law 89-584

AN ACT

September 19, 1966
[S. 2747]

To authorize conclusion of an agreement with Mexico for joint measures for solution of the Lower Rio Grande salinity problem.

Lower Rio
Grande.
Agreement with
Mexico.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of State, acting through the United States Commissioner, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, is authorized, notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to the conditions provided in this Act, to conclude an agreement or agreements with the appropriate official or officials of the Government of the United Mexican States for the construction, operation, and maintenance by the United Mexican States under the supervision of the International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, of a drainage conveyance canal through Mexican territory for the discharge of waters of El Morillo and other drains in the United Mexican States into the Gulf of Mexico in the manner, and having substantially the characteristics, described in said Commission's minute numbered 223, dated November 30, 1965. The agreement or agreements shall provide that the costs of construction, including costs of design and right-of-way and the costs of operation and maintenance, shall be equally divided between the United Mexican States and the United States. Before concluding the agreement or agreements, the Secretary of State shall receive satisfactory assurances from private citizens or a responsible local group that they or it will pay to the United States Treasury one-half of the actual United States costs of such construction, including costs of design and right-of-way, and one-half of the actual costs of operation and maintenance allocated under such agreement or agreements to the United States. Payments to the United States Treasury under this section shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

Appropriation.

SEC. 2. To defray costs that accrue to the United States under the agreement or agreements referred to in the first section of this Act for the construction, operation, and maintenance of drainage conveyance canal projects, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State for use of the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, the following amounts:

- (1) Not to exceed \$690,000 for costs of construction.
- (2) Upon completion of construction, not to exceed \$20,000 annually for costs of operation and maintenance.

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