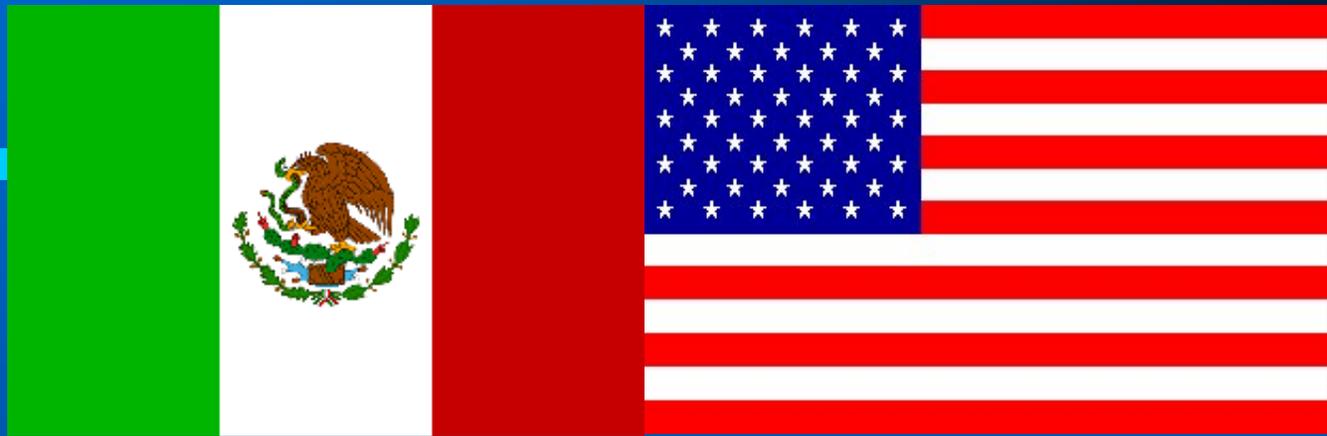


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# MEXUS PLAN



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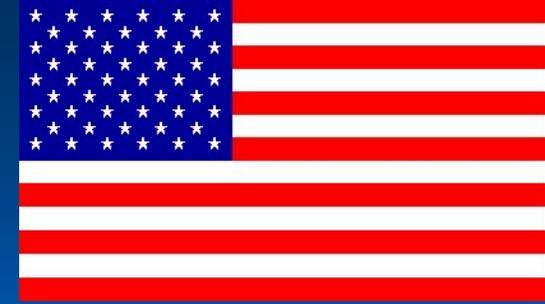
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# MEXUS PLAN



“The Joint Contingency Plan  
Between Mexico and the United  
States Regarding Pollution of the  
Marine Environment by Discharges  
of Hydrocarbons and Other  
Hazardous Substances”

# MEXUSPLAN

## Background

- On July 24, 1980, the United States and Mexico signed the *“Agreement of Cooperation Between the United States of America and the United Mexican States Regarding Pollution of the Marine Environment by Discharges of Hydrocarbons and Other Hazardous Substances”*.
- That agreement, signed in Mexico City, provides for the drafting of a joint U.S.-Mexico marine contingency plan.

# PLAN MEXUS

## Background (Cont.)

- After nearly twenty years of cooperative work, the joint marine contingency plan was signed in February, 2000 in Mexico City by the Vice Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard and the Chief of the General Staff of the Mexican Navy.
- The MEXUS Plan is consistent with the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) 1990 International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-Operation, to which both the U.S. and Mexico are parties.

# PLAN MEXUS

- MEXUS provides for Bilateral cooperation in response to pollution incidents that could seriously affect the coastal waters and coastal region of both countries,
- or in cases where the impact of the waters of one country would be of such magnitude that would justify the request for assistance to the other country, which would be coordinated under the concepts and operational provisions discussed in the Plan.

# PLAN MEXUS

## Purpose

“Provides standard operational procedures, in accordance with the 1980 agreement, to coordinate bilateral responses to pollution incidents that occur in, or threaten, coastal waters or areas of the border zones between Mexico and the USA and that could affect or threaten the marine environment of both parties. “

# PLAN MEXUS

## Objectives

The objectives of a MEXUS response are to “prevent, control, mitigate or eliminate the threat of an incident, to minimize adverse effects to the marine environment, and to protect public health and welfare.”

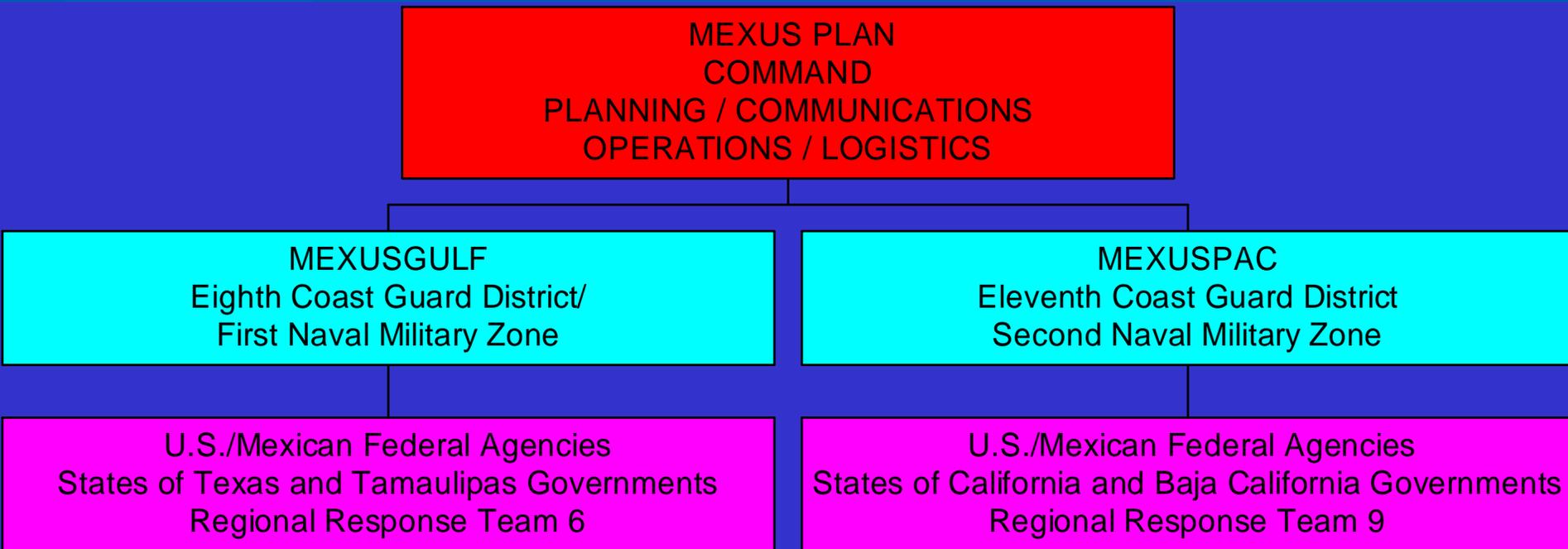
# MEXUS PLAN

The MEXUS Plan outlines the joint response system and identifies agencies from both Mexico and the U. S. that will provide various levels of support in carrying out the objectives of the Plan

Two geographic annexes, MEXUSPAC (Pacific) and MEXUSGULF (Gulf Coast), complement the MEXUS Plan. These annexes establish procedures, responsibilities and regional areas outlined in the MEXUSPLAN.

# MEXUS ORGANIZATION

## Planning



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## Joint Response Team

### Mexico



**MEXUS PLAN**  
General Chief of Staff  
Mexican Navy

**MEXUSGULF**  
Commander  
First Naval Military Zone

**MEXUSPAC**  
Commander  
Second Naval Military Zone

Federal Agencies  
PEMEX  
and Government of  
Tamaulipas

Federal Agencies  
PEMEX  
and Government of  
Baja California



# JOINT RESPONSE TEAM

## Mexico

- Armada de Mexico
- Secretariat of Exterior Relations (SRE)
- Secretariat of Housing and Public Credit (SHCP)
- Secretariat of the Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT)
- Secretariat of Communication and Transportation (SCT)



# JOINT RESPONSE TEAM

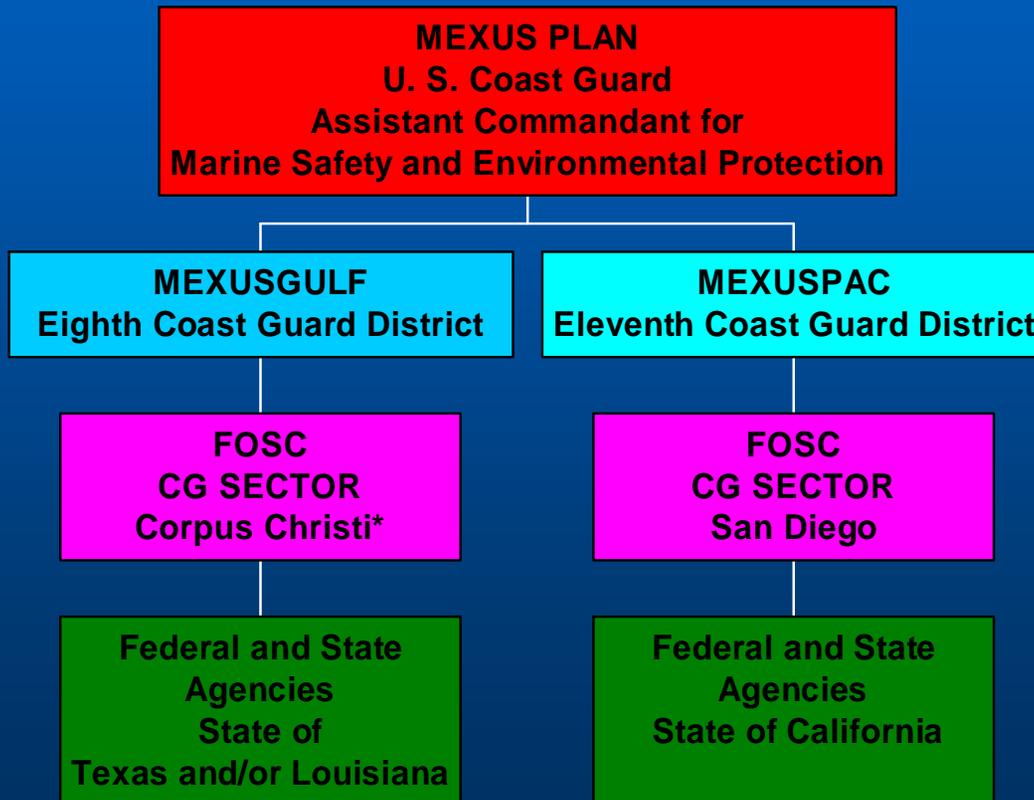
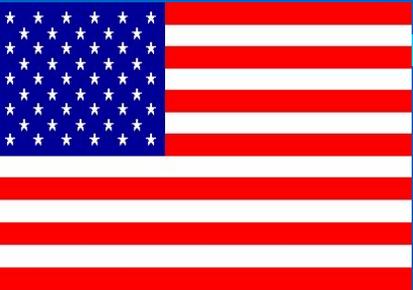
## Mexico (cont.)

- Secretariat of Health (SS)
- Secretariat of Interior (SG)
- Secretariat of Agriculture, Cattle Ranching, Rural Development, Fishing and Food (SAGARPA)
- Mexican Petroleum Company (PEMEX)
- Governments of the States of Baja California and Tamaulipas

# ORGANIZATION MEXUS

## Joint Response Team

### United States





# JOINT RESPONSE TEAM

## United States

- **Coast Guard**
- **Department of Homeland Security – (DHS)**
- **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**
- **Department of the Interior (DOI)**
- **Department of Commerce (DOC)**
- **Department of Defense (DOD)**
- **Department of Agriculture (DOA)**
- **Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)**



# JOINT RESPONSE TEAM

## United States (Cont.)

- Department of Energy (DOE)
- Department of Labor (DOL)
- Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA)
- General Services Agency (GSA)
- Department of Justice (DOJ)
- Department of State (DOS)
- Government of the States of California and Texas



# MEXUSPAC ANNEX

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## Format

- **MEXUSPAC is divided into five sections :**
  - **P 100 INTRODUCTION**
  - **P 200 COMMAND AND COORDINATION**
  - **P 300 PLANNING**
  - **P 400 OPERATIONS**
  - **P 500 LOGISTICS**

# SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

## (References)

- **Second Mexican Naval Zone Local Oil & HAZMAT Spill Contingency Plan.**
- **San Diego Area Contingency Plan**
- **Region 9 Regional Contingency Plan**
- **U.S. National Contingency Plan  
(40CFR300)**

# Recent MEXUSPAC Activities

- **Signing Ceremony & Tabletop Exercise**
  - February 2003 – Ensenada, MX
- **Dispersant Workshop**
  - February 2003 – San Diego, CA
- **Regional/National Incident Command Trng**
  - October 2003 – Oakland, CA
- **Series of SONS Planning Meetings**
  - San Diego & Ensenada, MX – 2003
- **Pacific Joint Response Team Mtg**
  - January 2004 – San Diego, CA

# Recent MEXUSPAC Activities

- **Incident Command System Workshop**
  - February 24-26, 2004 – Ensenada, MX
- **Applied Response Technologies Workshop** –
  - March 23-24, 2004 – Ensenada, MX
- **California SONS Exercise**
  - April 19-23, 2004 Southern Cal & Baja Cal
- **Pacific Joint Response Team Meeting**
  - August 11-12, 2004 Ensenada, MX

# Recent MEXUSPAC Activities

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- **Pacific Joint Response Team Mtg**
  - February 2005 - Ensenada, MX
- **PST Incident Command System Workshop**
  - Ensenada, MX July 2005
- **Pacific Joint Response Team Mtg –**
  - August 2005 – San Diego
- **Rosarito Beach Exercise – Ensenada, MX**
  - September 2005!

# Upcoming Activities

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- **Pacific Joint Response Team Mtg**
  - February 16, 2006 - San Diego, CA
- **First bi-national Ecological Risk Assessment – Tijuana Slough**  
**San Diego, CA June/July 2006**
- **Pacific Joint Response Team Mtg**
  - August 2006 - Ensenada, MX

# MEXUSPLAN / MEXUSPAC

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