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Hon. Mike Holm, Secretary of State

State of Minnesota, Saint Paul, 1, Minn.

Dear Mr. Holm:

In reply to your favour dated the 4th, instant, requesting my exequatur where it is recognized my appointment as Consul of Mexico for Minnesota and the Dakotas, please be informed that I have not received the said instrument as yet. Usually the Department of State at Washington, D.C., takes several months before sending the exequators to the Mexican Embassy, however, I have a simple copy of the provisional recognition accorded on April 29, 1947.

On even date I am writing to the Mexican Embassy asking to mail me my exequatur, if they have it already on hand, or at least the original copy of the note granting me provisional recognition as Consul of Mexico.

As soon as I receive reply from my Embassy I will gladly contact you again.

Yours very truly,

Eliseo Ruiz Russek,

Consul of Mexico.

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Eliseo Ruiz Russek, first consul appointed by Mexico for Minnesota and the Dakotas, today praised Minnesota's antidiscrimination laws and said none of approximately 4,000 Mexican nationals in the state yet had complained to him of ill treatment.

"It is quite different up here if from many other sections of the country, where Mexican nationals sometimes are almost excluded from the privileges normally given all other peoples," Eussek said.

Russek will open a consulate office at G05 Commerce building St. Bail. A geteran of 15 years nury with the Mexican forder office at Mexico City, Sans brancisco: El Paso, Laredo San Antonio, San Diego, British Honduras and Montreal, Russek, with his wife and three children, lives at 2163 iglehart Av., St. Paul.

"I intend to work hard at promoting an exchange of trade between Mexico and the northwest and encouraging your people to visit my country," Russek said. "The tourist trade is growing rapidly in Mexico and entrance regulations are very simple."

U. S. tourists need only give any Mexican consul proof of citizenship to obtain a tourist card for \$2.10, good for six months. The 800-mile highway from Laredo, Texas, to Mexico City now has gas stations, tourist courts and garages every 50 or 60 miles.

"Our hotel association recently made a 20 per cent cut in prices to encourage U. S. visitors," Russek said. "The highway is patrolled by troopers and police who speak English to aid tourists.

"The Mexican section of the Pan-American highway, right up to the border of Guatemala, probably will be finished next

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Hon. Iliseo Ruiz Russek 405 Commerce Building St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Russek:

According to a newspaper article that appeared sometime in June, you were appointed first consul by Mexico for Minnesota and the Dakotas.

From time to time this office receives requests for certified copies of exequators, or other evidences of incumbency of consuls of foreign countries on file. We would, therefore, appreciate it very much, if we may have the document conveying such authority to you so that we may make a photocopy of the instrument. It will be returned to you immediately thereafter and we will then be in position to furnish proper certificates of your authority when we are asked to do so.

Yours very truly,

Secretary of State ofd

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