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Thank you very much for your willingness to assist in the preparation for my visit to Mexico, especially in light of what I imagine to be a very busy time here in Mexico City in anticipation of President Bush's visit next week.

The purpose of my visit to Mexico is to hold safety and technical discussions with our colleagues at the CNSNS and CFE, and to visit the Laguna Verde facility in Veracruz.

The USNRC considers our nuclear safety cooperation efforts with Mexico to be of high priority, and particularly assistance with the goal of sustaining the safe operation of Laguna Verde.

Unfortunately, I won't have the opportunity to visit the Research Laboratory, ININ during my visit though I understand it is staffed with many highly qualified experts. Have our science specialists here at the Embassy had the opportunity to observe significant research activities here in Mexico. I hope to learn more about Mexico's ongoing nuclear research during my visit.

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