

Cooperating with Mexican authorities in the campaign to curb hunting violations and illegal imports of game will be the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, the Bureau of Customs and the Coast Guard of the United States Treasury Department, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Justice Department. The Bureau of Customs is primarily responsible for enforcing Federal import regulations.

Mexican efforts to apprehend violators were highlighted in April of this year when four United States citizens were caught shooting white-winged doves out of season in the State of Tamaulipas. The hunters were fined 5,000 pesos (\$400) each in the local court, and 20 shotguns and 500 doves were confiscated.

Particular attention will be paid to the inspection of vessels reported to be transporting birds in excess of United States import limits. The Bureau of Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization service are cooperating in measures aimed at controlling aerial smuggling of game from Mexico.

Another part of the Federal plan to discourage violations by United States hunters in Mexico is by "remote control." The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, with the assistance of the Bureau of Customs, is developing a corps of cooperators along the Border and in hunting areas in Mexico. Many Mexican and American citizens, angered by violations of Mexican game laws, are aiding the two Bureaus in their enforcement effort.

Director Janzen said sportsmen can assist in the program by reporting violators and violations of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act regulations to the nearest Regional Office of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. Such information and its source will be kept in strict confidence by the Bureau, Mr. Janzen said.

"The continental populations of migratory game birds are the property of all the people of Mexico, United States, and Canada, and are afforded protection by treaties between the three countries," he added. "Recognition of the public ownership of this great natural resource and public cooperation in halting its unwarranted misuse will aid immeasurably in its preservation for the enjoyment of all the people of the North American Continent for generations to come."

Following is a list of Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife regional offices where violations can be reported:

Region 1 (Alaska, California, Idaho, Hawaii, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Washington): P. O. Box 3737 (1002 N.E. Holladay Street), Portland, Oreg. 97208.

Region 2 (Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, Wyoming): P. O. Box 1306 (517 Gold Avenue, S.W.), Albuquerque, N. Mex. 87103.

Region 3 (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin): Buzza Bldg., 1006 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minn. 55408.

Region 4 (Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia): Peachtree-Seventh Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. 30323.

Region 5 (Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia): 1105 Blake Bldg., 59 Temple Pl., Boston, Mass. 02111.

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