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The Honorable Leticia Van de Putte
Senator
Texas Senate
Capitol Building

Dear Senator Van de Putte,

I am writing regarding consular assistance services provided by the Consulate General of Mexico in Austin and its consular network in Texas and the US, with full respect to US law and regulations and in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations to which the US and Mexico are parties to. These include the issuance of a wide range of official and governmental documents, orientation and legal services for Mexican nationals, as well as promoting closer social, trade and cultural ties with Mexico, which contribute to a positive spillover effect in local communities.

Mexican nationals living within a consular jurisdiction have the option of registering their personal information – i.e. current address and family contacts to reach out in case of emergency – and subsequently to be issued Consular Identification Cards. Referred to in Spanish as Matrículas Consulares, they represent proof of Mexican nationality and are issued solely upon a rigorous process where nationality, local residence and identity are reviewed and confirmed. They do not seek to confer on the bearer any type of immigration status. As it may be of interest to the issues of the State Affairs Committee, attached you will find relevant information about the Mexican Matrícula Consular.

I hope this information proves to be useful and informative. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of further assistance.

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