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Mr. Thomas J. Duffield  
American Consul  
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Pôrto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul

Dear Tom:

I am replying to your letter of September 23 regarding the flood damage in Rio Grande do Sul.

We are happy to report that the A.I.D. financing for the Bailey bridge appears to be on the track. I delayed writing until I had some positive news for you, but now I think we can consider this matter under control.

We have been informed that the bridging material is available for immediate shipment. Consignment will be to the DNER in Pôrto Alegre. I understand that it will take at least two months to prepare the foundation which should allow ample time for the material to arrive. If all goes well, the bridge should be completed in four months.

Thanks again for your concern and your thorough report. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

*W. A. Ellis*

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Deputy Director

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