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District Director. Immigration and Naturalization Service. El Paso, Texas.

Some time ago while the Supervisor of Border Patrol was in this city the desirability for a rough, cheap uniform to be worn by officers in this sub-district while working along the International Line in the brush covered areas was suggested by the writer. The Supervisor requested that recommendations in the premises be submitted to the Bureau.

Since that time many samples of cloth have been inspected and views of the officers secured as to the style considered most desirable. Recently, the Union Clothing Company in this city furnished sample of a desirable uniform which will cost between five and seven dollars. The cloth is known as moleskin, of cotton construction, fast color, waterproof and mosquito repellant, the color being approximately that of our dress uniform. Three photographs of this suggested river uniform are enclosed, together with samples of the cloth. It will be noted that present regulation hat, collar ornaments, uniform buttons and badge form a part of the new uniform.

It is believed that this new uniform should be worn only when working along the brush covered areas and while officers are moving cliens and their beggage in trucks. Its adoption is urgently recommended in this sub-district.

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