



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

REGION 3

BOULDER CITY, NEVADA

IN REPLY
REFER TO: 3-110

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Mr. A. Talaat
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818 Eighteenth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Mr. Talaat:

I received the report on Aswan High Dam, dated May 1964, with your personal message inscribed on the title sheet. Needless to say, I am most pleased to have this memento of your visit and greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness. I have found it difficult to concentrate on the work at hand here in the office with this interesting booklet lying on my desk where I can pick it up and thumb through it - even while I am quite aware there are other matters I must attend to.

I wish to take this opportunity to tell you again how much I enjoyed meeting you. I would have liked to have had a chance to hear more about your country, your plans for conservation of its natural resources, and what has already been done there in the reclamation field. We hope that in some small way your visit to Hoover Dam and Powerplant was beneficial to your overall study of reclamation projects in the United States. If you ever pass this way again, I shall be most disappointed if you do not contact me and allow me to assist you in any way I can. The Bureau's facilities are at your disposal and you are welcome to call upon us here in Region 3 any time we can be of assistance.

With best wishes and thanking you for your consideration, I remain

Sincerely yours,

W. L. Phillips
Assistant to the Regional Director