

Mexico Delegation 2005

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Awaiting the other delegates





Meeting other delegates

Orientation



Learning about what to expect



The Border



Flower bed in Piedras Negras





Hearing about the maquiladora
plants we will see soon





Learning about the issues

A maquiladora daycare center next to the factory





A maquiladora factory



No windows

Guard house at plant



Buses leaving plant with workers



Workers houses near a plant in Piedras Negras



Workers house – note plant in background





House in front of plant





A worker's house





















The bathroom at Lety's

Lety's house





Lety's son plays with a neighbor



Lety in front of her house



Inside Lety's



Dinner at Lety's







A street in Acuna



*A new development for workers
in Acuna*





Angela's house in the valley







Walking toward Angela's house



Angela's front door



Angela's

If you look carefully you can see the skinny
PVC pipe that brings water to these houses



Angela inside her house







Reading Ley Federal de Trabajo to teach about worker's rights



Looking at Paychecks
to see the large
deductions taken out



Market basket
 showing costs of
 living and the
 impossibility of
 providing
 essentials on the
 wages paid by
 the maquiladoras

Producto	Unitario	Total
Frijol 4 Kg	(11.00)	44.00
Harina 5 Kg	(7.00)	35.00
Aceite 2 Lt.	(13.00)	26.00
Pastas 5 pzs	(3.50)	17.50
Arroz 1 Kg	(10.00)	10.00
Huevo		30.00
Rexal 1		8.00
Sal 1		1.00
Jabón P/Baño (8.00) pza.		
Shampoo 1 pza.	(30.00)	
Pasta dental	(18.00)	
Papel P/Baño 6 (4.00) pza.		
Cafe 1 pza.	(23.00)	23.00
Azucar 1 pza	(22.00)	22.00
Tortillas 10 Kg	(6.50)	65.00
Manteca Kg	(15.00)	
Cloro Lt.	(9.00)	15.00
Papas 1 1/2 Kg	(13.00)	9.00
Cebolla 1 Kg	(7.00)	18.50
Tomate 1 Kg	(10.00)	7.00
Chile 1 Kg	(9.00)	10.00
Jabón p/trastes (8.00) pza.		9.00
Agua Purificada 19 LtS (16.00) 2 pzs.		8.00
Subtotal		320.00
Transporte para salir la Despensa		500.00
		50.00

A common sight



What is their future?





Inside the Piedras Negras CFO
office – a new factory

Looking at the products made in this new maquiladora



Our delegation and the maquiladora workers who taught us so much



For information about marketing the products
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