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MS 0931 Kearny, Stephen Watts, 1794-1848 Proclamation, August 22, 1846

DESCRIPTION

Handwritten proclamation in Spanish; issued by S.W. Kearny, Brigadier General of the U.S. Army, dated August 22, 1846, proclaiming that the Territory of New Mexico had been taken by the United States and annexing it thereto, and calling on its inhabitants to lay down their arms. Note at end of document states: "By the Governor: Juan Bautista Vigil y Alarid." A photocopy and English translation are also available.

1 box, .1 linear ft. Rare: 1 box, .1 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Army officer; Kearny became a Brigadier General in 1846, and was assigned to command the Army of the West in the Mexican War. He led his men to Santa Fe which was entered without opposition and served as military governor of New Mexico for a month until a civil government was organized.

LANGUAGE

In Spanish; accompanied by an English translation.

ACQUISITION

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