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### Presidential Proclamation enlarging Hovenweep National Monument area

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ENLARGING HOVENWEEP NATIONAL MONUMENT  
COLORADO AND UTAH

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA

A P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS Proclamation No. 1654 of March 2, 1923, established the Hovenweep National Monument on certain public lands in southwestern Colorado and southeastern Utah for the purpose of preserving four groups of ruins, including structures of the finest prehistoric masonry found in the United States, and Proclamation No. 2924 of April 26, 1951, added to the Monument certain other public lands of equal significance in southwestern Colorado; and

WHEREAS another parcel of public land has been found to contain archaeological sites, including small pueblos and an exceptional and significant Great Kiva, the inside and over-all diameters of which are approximately 60 and 100 feet, respectively, which Kiva has been unexcavated and unvandalized; and

WHEREAS it is in the public interest that the lands embracing these archaeological sites be added to and reserved as a part of the Hovenweep National Monument:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARRY S. TRUMAN, President of the United States of America, under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by section 2 of the act of June 8, 1906 (ch. 3060, 34 Stat. 225, 16 U. S. C., 1946 ed., sec. 431), do proclaim that, subject to valid existing rights and the provisions of existing