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Foreword

This is the second of a set of three volumes dealing with Uto-Aztecan grammar. The grammatical descriptions in these volumes grew out of a Summer Institute of Linguistics Uto-Aztecan workshop that was held in Ixmiquilpan, Hidalgo, Mexico from January through April 1976. I was invited to be guest director of that workshop and supervised the participants in the preparation of grammatical sketches of the various Uto-Aztecan languages on which they were working. At the end of the workshop it was agreed that the sketches would be revised for publication, resulting in this series. Volume I of the series consists of my own *Overview of Uto-Aztecan Grammar*, which is based on the lecture material I presented during the workshop and provides fundamental information concerning the Uto-Aztecan language family (including both synchronic structure and diachronic evolution) and relevant grammatical concepts. The present volume contains sketches of four modern Aztec dialects. Volume III, *Uto-Aztecan Grammatical Sketches*, is to consist of sketches of five other Uto-Aztecan languages: Northern Paiute by John and Joy Anderson; Papago by Dean Saxton; Northern Tepehuan by Burton Bascom; Western Tarahumara by Don Burgess; and Cora by Eugene Casad.

The purpose of these sketches is to provide Uto-Aztecan scholars, linguists generally, and other interested people with reasonably comprehensive basic information about a variety of Uto-Aztecan languages. To facilitate understanding and comparison, we have adopted fairly uniform transcriptions, abbreviations, and formats. Most of the notations should be self-explanatory; see Volume I for a complete list. These three volumes are to be considered an integral unit. The *Overview* constituting Volume I provides the background necessary for appreciation of the individual sketches in Volumes II and III, which in turn serve to exemplify the points covered in the *Overview* and to make possible ready comparison of the languages covered.

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Abbreviations

ABS	absolutive	EXHRT	exhortative
ABSTR	abstract	EXIST	existential
ACT	active	FUT	future
ADJ	adjective	GNP	general noun phrase
ADJR	adjectivalizer	H	human
ADV	adverb	HAB	habitual
AG	agent	HHHN	ultra-honorific
AN	animate	HHN	extra-honorific
ANP	additive noun phrase	HON	honorific
AP	adjective phrase	IMP	imperative
APNP	apposition noun phrase	IMPOT	impotentive
APPLIC	applicative	IMPRF	imperfect(ive)
ART	article	INAL	inalienable
ASP	aspect	INAN	inanimate
ASSOC	association	INCHO	inchoative
AUG	augmentative	INCORP	incorporated
BEN	benefactive	INDF	indefinite
BP	benefactive phrase	INSTR	instrumental
C	consonant	INTNS	intensifier
CAUS	causative	INTR	introducer
CHAR BY	characterized by	INTRNS	intransitive
CNJ	conjunction	INVIS	invisible
CNTRFCT	contrafactual	IOBJ	indirect object
COLL	collective	IRR	irrealis
COMPL	completive	LOC	locative
COND	conditional	LP	locative phrase
CONN	connective	MAN	manner
CP	comparative phrase	MED	medial (intermediate between proximal and distal)
DECL	declarative	MOD	modifier
DEF	definite	N	noun, nominal
DEM	demonstrative	NEG	negative
DESID	desiderative	NH	non-human
DIM	diminutive	NNP	name noun phrase
DIR	direct	NP	noun phrase
DIRL	directional	NR	nominalizer
DIST	distal	NUM	number
DISTR	distributive	NUMR	numeral
DP	demonstrative phrase	OBJ	object
DUB	dubitative	OM	object marker (verbal affix)
DUR	durative	OPTV	optative
EMPH	emphatic		

P	postposition	TRNS	transitive
PEJ	pejorative	TRNSR	transitivizer
PERF	perfect(ive)	UNSPEC	unspecified
PHR	phrase	V	verb, vowel
PL	plural	VIS	visible
PN	proper name	VR	verbalizer
PNCT	punctual	WH	'who', 'where', 'when', etc.
PNP	possessed noun phrase	WHQ	WH question
POS	positive	WHW	WH word
POSSD	possessed	YNQ	yes/no question
POSSR	possessor	1P	first person
POT	potentive, potential	2P	second person
PRED	predicate	3P	third person
PRES	present	-	morpheme boundary
PROG	progressive	=	clitic boundary
PRON	pronoun	#	word boundary
PROX	proximal	[clause boundary (initial)
PRSNTV	presentative]	clause boundary (final)
PRT	particle		
PRTC	participle		
PRTV	partitive		
PUR	purpose		
PURP	purpose phrase		
Q	question		
QNT	quantifier		
QUOT	quotative		
RAP	relator axis phrase		
RDP	reduplication		
REFL	reflexive		
REL	relative, relativizer		
REM	remote		
REPET	repetitive		
RSLTV	resultative		
SBJNCT	subjunctive		
SF	suffix		
SG	singular		
SM	subject marker (verbal affix)		
SNP	series noun phrase		
Sp.	Spanish loan		
STAT	stative		
SUBJ	subject		
SUBR	subordinator		
TEMP	temporal		
TNS	tense		