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## ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

Yuma

## PROPERTY NAME Hotel Del Ming LOCATION 300 Gila Street CITY/TOWN/VICINITY COUNTY

OWNER

Avani and Andy Patel

OWNER'S ADDRESS 260 South 4th Avenue

Yuma, AZ

FORM COMPLETED BY

Yuma County Historical Society

ADDRESS

240 Madison Avenue Yuma, AZ 85364

PHOTO BY DATE 8/79 P. Callahan VIEW North and east facades PRESENT USE ACHRIDACHD

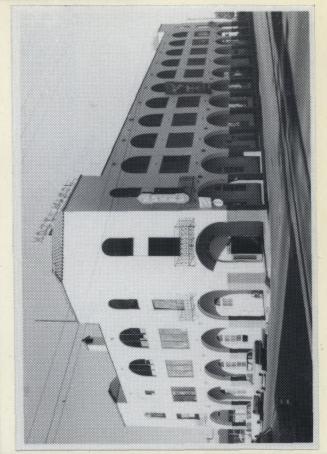
Commercial/hotel

STYLE OR CULTURAL PERIOD Spanish Colonial Revival

SIGNIFICANT DATES

Constructed 1926

CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Situated at the intersection of Gila and Third Streets, the Hotel del Ming is a threestory, reinforced-concrete structure measuring approximately 160 feet wide, 70 feet deep, and 35 feet high. Rectangular in plan on the first floor, the upper two floors of the building are laid out in the form of an "E" to allow light wells between the three residential wings. The north and east facades are penetrated by rectangular and round-topped openings; short towers capped with red-tiled hip roofs terminate the main elevations. The building is sound, substantially intact, and its integrity recoverable. Many original interior details are still in place.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE
The Hotel del Ming is of primary value as an architectural and contextual complement to the Southern Pacific Railroad Depot (NR). Although the hotel is a local landmark in its own right, both buildings are expressions of Spanish Colonial Revival; the Hotel is by far the less elaborate of the two. Built in 1926, just a year after the completion of the Depot, the Hotel was intentionally sited diagonally from the new station in order to capitalize on the shortage of overnight accommodations in that section of the city. Taylor and Taylor of Los Angeles were the architects. The hotel was named after Yuma mayor F. S. Ming who headed the investment groups which built the facility. In recent years the pro-

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perty has been known as the Hotel del Sol.

Block 18; Lots 1, 2 and 4; Yuma Townsite