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RATIFIED TREATY NO. 32

DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE NEGOTIATION OF THE
TREATY OF JUNE 16, 1802, WITH THE CREEK INDIANS

A Treaty of Limits between the United States of America, and the Creek Nation of Indians.

Thomas Jefferson President of the United States of America, by James Wilkinson of the State of Maryland, Brigadier General in the Army of the United States, Benjamin Hawkins of North Carolina and Andrew Pickens of South Carolina Commissioners plenipotentiary of the United States on the one part, and the Kings, Chiefs, Head Men and Warriors of the Creek Nation in council assembled on the other part, have entered into the following Articles and Conditions: viz:

Article 1st The Kings, Chiefs, Head Men and Warriors of the Creek Nation, in behalf of the said Nation, do by these Presents cede to the United States of America, all that Tract and Tracts of Land, situate, lying and being within and between the following bounds, and the lines and limits of the extinguished claims of the said Nation, heretofore ascertained and established by Treaty: That is to say - Beginning at the upper extremity of the High Shoals of the Appalachee River, the same being a branch of the Oconee River, and on the southern bank of the same - Running thence a direct course to a noted ford of the south Branch of Little River, called by the Indians Chatochuecco hatchee, thence a direct Line to the main Branch of Commissioners Creek where the same is intersected, by the path leading from the Rock Landing to the Ocmulgee Old Towns, thence a direct Line to Palmetto Creek, where the same is intersected by the Uchee Path, leading from the Oconee to the Ocmulgee River, thence down the middle course

of the said Creek to the Oconee River and with the western
Bank of the same to its junction with the Ocmulgee and
thence across the Ocmulgee River to the South Bank of
the Altamaha River and down the same at low-water
mark to the lower Bank of Goose Creek, and from thence
by a direct line to the Mounts on the margin of the
Okefinochee Swamp, raised and established by the
Commissioners of the United States and Spain at the
Head of the St. Mary's River, thence down the Middle
waters of the said River, to the Point where the Old
Line of Demarcation strikes the same, thence with
the said Old Line to the Altamaha River and up the
same to Goose Creek; And the said Kings, Chiefs, Head
Men and Warriors do relinquish and quit claim to the
United States all their Right, Title, Interest and
Intentions in and to the Tract and Tracts of Land
within and between the Bounds and Limits aforesaid
forever.)

Article 2^d The Commissioners of the United States
for and in consideration of the foregoing concession
on the part of the Creek Nation, and in full satis-
faction for the same, do hereby covenant and agree
with the said Nation in behalf of the United
States, that the said United States shall pay
to the said Nation annually and every year the
sum of three thousand dollars, and one thousand
dollars for the term of ten years to the Chiefs, who
administer the Government agreeably to a cer-
tificate under the hands and seals of the Commis-
sioners of the United States of this date, and also
twenty.

twenty five thousand dollars in the manner and
form following: viz: Ten thousand dollars in goods
and merchandize, the receipt of which is hereby
acknowledged. — Ten thousand dollars to satisfy
certain debts due from Indians and white persons
of the creek country to the Factory of the United States.
The said debts after the payment aforesaid to become
the right and property of the creek Nation and to be
recovered for their use in such way and manner
as the President of the United States may think pro-
per to direct: Five thousand dollars to satisfy
claims for property taken by individuals of the
said Nation from the citizens of the United States
subsequent to the Treaty of Colerain, which has been
or may be claimed and established agreeably to the
Provisions of the Act for regulating Trade and Inter-
course with the Indian Tribes, and to preserve peace
on the frontiers — And it is further agreed that the
United States shall furnish to the said Nation two
sets of Black Smiths Tools and Men to work them
for the term of three years.

Article 3^d It is agreed by the contracting Parties
that the Garrison or Garrisons which may be found
necessary for the protection of the frontiers, shall
be established upon the land of the Indians at such
place or places, as the President of the United States
may think proper to direct, in the manner and
on the ~~same~~ terms established by the Treaty of
Colerain.

Article 4th The contracting parties to these
presents

Present do agree, that this Treaty shall become
obligatory and of full effect, so soon as the same shall
be ratified by the President of the United States of
America, by and with the advice and consent of
the senate thereof.

In testimony whereof the Commissioner
plenipotentiary of the United States and the King
Chief, Head Men and Warriors of the Creek Nation, the
severals subscribed their names and affixed their seals
at the Camp of the Commissioners of the United States
near Fort Wilkinson on the Stone River this sixteenth
day of June in the Year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and two and of the Independence of
the United States the twenty sixth.

I certify this to be a true copy
from the original Treaty

Alex^r Macon
Secretary to the Commissioner

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Copy of Treaty with

the Creeks, June 16, 1802

Handwritten text in the left column, including the number 766 written vertically.

Main body of handwritten text in the center column, appearing to be a transcription of the treaty.

Handwritten text in the right column, possibly a second version or continuation of the treaty.

Commissaries Camp West of the Cone

June 17th 1802 -

Sir

We have the Honor to inform you, that we have closed our conference with the Indians, which in the last stage of the negotiation took a turn altogether unexpected & extraordinary.

Having employed with Zeal but without effect, every fair means in our power to accomplish the specific objects of our instructions, we turned our attention from those objects, to one of more importance, in point of interest & value & accommodation to the Citizens of the State viz: The extinction of the Indian claims with in the Demolgee Forks, from the Rock Landing up to the High Shoals of the appalachee River.

With this view we submitted our final propositions, to the Council of the Nation on the 13th Inst: and the Chiefs of the Cowata & Sapela Towns, came forward the same evening, from the Council, with the proposals on which we have grounded all our contact, & yesterday the treaty, of which

Yours
6-16-02

you have a copy under cover, was executed in
due form.

We shall transmit the Original
Instrument, with a detail of our proceedings,
by the Secretary of the Commission, who will
proceed to the seat of Government for the
Settlement of his Accounts, as soon as pay-
ment has been made to the Indians agree-
ably to stipulation.

It may appear on a cursory view,
that we have, in the sum allowed for this con-
cession, exceeded our instructions, but we be-
lieve a close examination of its comparative
Value, to that of the parts specifically desig-
nated to us for purchase, and a correct
Understanding, of all the circumstances, which
have occurred, will suffice to justify our
proceedings.

The great difficulty to be surmount-
ed, was the passage of the Oracle, and the
extension of our front, in contact with the
unextinguished claims of the Indians, whose
the confidence of the Oracle & Bemulgee ap-
peared to us the next most desirable Object;
In prosecuting these views we had to combat,
not

not only the Jealousie, Distrust, & fears natural
to the Indians; but also an apprehension,
serious & alarming to the Old Chiefs, that
if they ceded any part of their Country,
their Young Warriors might resist the act,
& joining the Partizans of Bowles, divide the
nation, wrest the Government from those who
at present administer it, and by some vi-
olent measure involve their Country in
ruin

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the
Council
of
War

We beg leave to refer to our Jour-
nal, & to future communications for details,
and will barely add, that if our success has
not equaled our wishes, or corresponded with
your Inclinations, We flatter ourselves, substan-
tial advantages have been obtained, & that
the result will pave the way to a further
conclusion at no distant Period.

We have the Honor to be
with great respect

The Double
Henry Dearborn
his Son

Sir

Your obed^t. Servant
Joseph Wainwright
Benjamin Hancock
And: Pickens