BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE CHOCTAW NATION, Petitioner,	)	
vs.	)	Docket No. 51
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Defendant.	)	

Grady Lewis, with whom was W. F. Semple and H. L. Fitzgerald, Jr., Attorneys for Petitioner,

Ralph A. Barney and John F. Curran, with whom was Mr. Assistant Attorney General A. Devitt Vanech, Attorneys for Defendant.

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OPINION OF THE COMMISSION

Witt, Chief Commissioner, delivered the opinion of the Commission:

The facts involved will appear from the opinion of the Commission.

This suit was instituted by virtue of the authority obtained in act of Congress of August 13, 1946, known as the Indian Claims Commission Act.

The petition alleges in substance:

That what is known as the Atkoa Agreement entered into by the