

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE SKOKOMISH TRIBE OF INDIANS,)
)
 Petitioner,)
)
 v.) Docket No. 296
)
 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
)
 Defendant.)

SECOND INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

Upon consideration of the additional findings of fact, numbered 11 to 28, inclusive, which are this day filed herein and made a part of this order, the Commission concludes as a matter of law:

1. That the tract of land which petitioner held under original Indian title and ceded to the United States under the Treaty of January 26, 1855, consisted of 355,800 acres; and

2. That said 355,800 acres of land had a fair market value on March 8, 1859, the effective date of the treaty, of \$426,960.00, or an average per acre value of approximately \$1.20.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, That the case shall proceed with proof of the consideration paid to the Skokomish Tribe, if any, under the provisions of the Treaty of January 26, 1855, and to determine whether such consideration so paid was unconscionable; proof as to the interest retained by the Skokomish Tribe in the Skokomish Reservation set aside by Article 3 of the 1855 Treaty for petitioner and other Indians; and proof, if necessary, of what offsets are chargeable against said Skokomish Tribe of Indians under the provisions of the Indian Claims Commission Act.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 30th day of June, 1961.

Arthur V. Watkins
Chief Commissioner

Wm. M. Holt
Associate Commissioner

T. Harold Scott
Associate Commissioner