

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE SEMINOLE NATION,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Docket No. 248
)	
THE UNITED STATES,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

Decided: December 23, 1964

Appearances:

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was Mr. Assistant Attorney General,
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OPINION OF THE COMMISSION

Scott, Associate Commissioner, delivered the opinion of the Commission.

The plaintiff herein asserts a claim for the fair market value of an oil and gas lease covering 320 acres of land known as the Mekasuky Mission School Tract located in Seminole County, Oklahoma.

Under Article III of the Treaty of March 21, 1866 (14 Stat. 755) between the United States of America and the Seminole Nation, 200,000 acres of land previously purchased from the Creek Tribe by the United States were purchased from the United States by the Seminoles. The tract in question was originally a part of that tract, and along with



