

BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

GILA RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN)	
COMMUNITY, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	
v.)	Docket No. 228
)	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

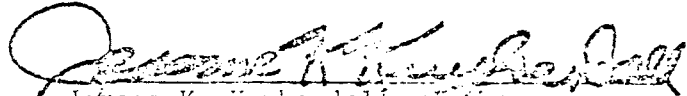
INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

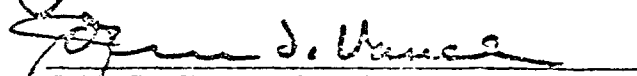
Upon the findings of fact and opinion this day entered herein and which are hereby made a part of this order, the Commission concludes as a matter of law:


1. That the plaintiffs herein have the capacity to bring this suit on behalf of the Pima and Maricopa Indian Tribes.
2. That the plaintiffs did not hold title to the claimed area by actual Spanish or Mexican grant.
3. That the Pima and Maricopa Indians were a single land-using entity.
4. That the Pima and Maricopa Indians exclusively used and occupied in Indian fashion the lands lying within the tract described in Finding No. 23.

It is ordered that the case proceed for the purpose of determining the date(s) of extinguishment of the Pima and Maricopa Indian title to the lands involved and the areas, if any, within the perimeter of the lands described in Finding No. 23 which were the subject of Spanish-Mexican land grants or were never taken from the Pima-Maricopa Indians.


Dated at Washington, D. C. this 17th day of December, 1970.


Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman


John T. Vance, Commissioner


Richard W. Yarborough, Commissioner


Margaret J. Pierce, Commissioner


Brantley Blue, Commissioner