BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE, ET AL., )
ON BEHALF OF THE CHIPPEWA INDIANS )
OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND LAKE )
SUPERIOR, )
) Plaintiffs,
) )
v. ) Docket No. 18-C
) )
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )
) Defendant.
)

INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

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

1. The total amount of land and water acreage in the subject tract, Royce Area 242, was 13,664,871 acres.

2. The fair market value for these lands on June 15, 1838, the proclamation date of the Treaty of July 29, 1837 (7 Stat. 536), was $9,875,000.00.

3. The total consideration for these lands as set forth in the 1837 treaty was $870,000.00.

4. The consideration of $870,000.00 for lands having a fair market value of $9,875,000.00 was so grossly inadequate as to render that consideration unconscionable within the meaning of Clause 3, Section 2, of the Indian Claims Commission Act.

5. The Chippewa Indians of the Mississippi and Lake Superior were the only parties in interest with respect to the 1837 treaty and the lands ceded thereunder.
IT IS ORDERED that the case proceed to a determination of the offsets to which the defendant may be entitled under the Indian Claims Commission Act.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 24th day of July 1971.

[Signatures]

Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman

John T. Vance, Commissioner

Richard W. Yarbrough, Commissioner

Margaret H. Pierce, Commissioner

Brantley Blue, Commissioner