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Ratified Indian Treaty 138: Kansa - Sora Kansas Creek, Southwest of Fort Osage, August 16, 1825

Benjamin Reeves

George Champlin Sibley

Thomas Mather

John Quincy Adams

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John Quincy Adams, President of the United States of America.
To all and singular to whom these presents shall come Greeting:

Whereas a Treaty between the United States of America and the
Kansas Tribe of Indians, was made and concluded, on the
sixteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and Twenty
five, at the Sora Kansas Creek, by Commissioners on the part
of the United States and certain chiefs and head men of said
Tribe, which Treaty is in the words following to wit:

Whereas

Whereas the Congress of the United States of America being anxious to promote a direct commercial and friendly intercourse between the Citizens of the United States and those of the Mexican Republic and to afford protection to the same, did at their last session pass an act which was approved the 3rd of March 1825. So authorizing the President of the United States to cause a road to be marked out from the Western frontier of Missouri, to the confines of New Mexico, and which authorizes the President of the United States to appoint Commissioners to carry said act of Congress into effect and enjoins on the Commissioners so to be appointed that they first obtain the consent of the intervening Tribes of Indians by treaty, to the marking of said road, and to the unmolested use thereof, to the Citizens of the United States, and of the Mexican Republic, and Benjamin H. Reeves, George C. Sibley, and Thomas Mather being duly appointed Commissioners as aforesaid, and being duly and fully authorized, have this day met the chiefs and head men of the Kansas Tribe of Indians, who being all duly authorized to meet and negotiate with the said Commissioners upon the premises, and being specially met for that purpose by the invitation of said Commissioners, on the Sora Kansas Creek, two hundred and thirty eight miles South Westwardly from Fort Osage, have after due deliberation and consultation agreed to the following Treaty, which is to be considered binding on the said Kansas Indians from and after this day.

Article 1. The Chiefs and Head Men of the Kansas Nation or Tribe of Indians for themselves and their Nation do consent and agree that the Commissioners of the United States shall and may survey and mark out a Road in such manner as they may think proper, through any of the Territory owned or claimed by the said Kansas Tribe or Nation of Indians.

Art. 2. The Chiefs and head men as aforesaid, do further agree, that the Road authorized in Art. 1. shall when marked be forever free for the use of the Citizens of the United States and of the Mexican Republic, who shall at all times pass and re-pass thereon, without any hindrance or molestation on the part of the said Kansas Indians.

Art. 3. The Chiefs and Head men as aforesaid in consideration of the friendly relations existing between them and the United States, do further promise for themselves and their people, that they will on all fit occasions render such friendly aid and assistance as may be in their power, to any of the Citizens of the United States or of the Mexican Republic, as they may at any time happen to meet, or fall in with on the road aforesaid.

Art. 4. The Chiefs and Head men as aforesaid do further consent and agree that the road aforesaid shall be considered as extending to a reasonable distance on either side, so that Travellers thereon may at any time leave the marked track for the purpose of finding subsistence and proper camping places.

Art. 5. In consideration of the privileges granted by the Chiefs of Kansas Tribe in the three preceding articles, the said Commissioners on the part of the United States have agreed to pay to them the said Chiefs for themselves and their people the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, which sum is to be paid them as soon as may be in money or Merchandise at their option, at such place as they may desire.

Art. 6. And the said Chiefs and Head men as aforesaid voluntarily have received from the Commissioners of said road all and before the signing of this Treaty, articles of Merchandise to the value of Three Hundred Dollars, which sum of Three Hundred Dollars, and the payment stipulated to be made to the said Kansas in Article 5. shall be considered and are so considered by said Chiefs, as full and complete compensation for every privilege herein granted by said Chiefs.

In Testimony whereof the said Benjamin H. Reeves, George C. Sibley, and Thomas Mather Commissioners as aforesaid, and the Chiefs and Head men of the Kansas Tribe or Nation of Indians have hereunto set their hands and seals on the Sora Kansas Creek aforesaid this sixteenth day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty five.

- In presence of
- Archibald Campbell Secy.
 - Jos. C. Brown, Surveyor
 - W. S. Wilcox, Justice
 - Stephen Cooper
 - Ranice T. Nation
 - Benjamin Robertson
 - Wm. M. Young
 - Samuel Young
 - John M. Walker
 - Andrew Broadwell
 - Benjamin Jones
 - Thos. Lindley Coope
 - James Stells
 - Joseph R. Walker
 - Samuel Jones
 - James Brinkton
 - Harvey Clark

B. H. Reeves
G. C. Sibley
Thomas Mather

- Show-gar-ne-gare - The Great Chief of the Kansas Nation his + Mkr.
- Ko-ha-bar-ah - Close son of the Chief, a Warrior & Head + Mkr.
- Mu-ra-soo-gar - The Red Eagle - a Chief & Warrior - + Mkr.
- Opa-the-ga - The uneasy - a Warrior - + Mkr.
- Kan-gar-laggy - The Hard Heart - a Warrior & Counsellor - + Mkr.
- Ma-a-ka-shah - a Chief, Brother of the Great Chief + Mkr.
- Ca-be-ten-gar - a Warrior - + Mkr.
- Wa-rid-mi-ne-gare - a Warrior - + Mkr.
- Kah-ka-see-thee - White Plume's Deputy, Warrior, + Mkr.
- Ma-ka-walk-in-tun-ga - The palplante - Warrior, + Mkr.
- Ma-sha-mo-see - White Horn, that walk - Warrior + Mkr.
- So-ka-mee-ra - The Scalper - Warrior - + Mkr.
- Ma-se-to-mo-see - The Mid Day Walker - Warrior - + Mkr.
- Ma-see-ra-to - He who walks off - Chief - + Mkr.
- Ma-the-ka-mo-see - The Ridge Walker - Warrior - + Mkr.
- Law-see-wah-see - The Striker of three - Warrior - + Mkr.



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19, Cong. Ex
1 Sep
Treaty 16 Aug 18
With the Kansas Indian.
1826 Jan 30. Read twice
and referred to Com.
on Indian Affairs.
April 12. reported.

Now, therefore, be it known, that I,
John Quincy Adams, President of the United
States of America, having seen and considered the
said Treaty, do, in pursuance of the advice and consent
of the Senate, as expressed by their Resolution of the
second Instant, ratify and confirm the same and
every clause and article thereof.

In Testimony whereof, I have caused the seal
of the United States, to be hereunto affixed,
having signed the same with my hand.

Done at the City of Washington, this
third day of May, in the year of our
Lord, one thousand eight hundred and
twenty six, and of the Independence
of the United States, the fiftieth -

John Quincy Adams.

By the President

H. Clay, Secretary of State



In the Senate of the United States,
May 2^d. 1826.

Resolved, (two thirds of the Senators present concurring therein,) That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of the Treaty between the United States of America and the Kansas Nation of Indians, concluded, at the Sora Kansas Creek, the 16th day of August, one thousand eight-hundred and twenty five.

Resolved, (two thirds of the Senators present concurring therein,) That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of the Treaty between the United States of America, and the Great and Little Osage tribes of Indians, concluded, at Council Grove, the tenth day of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty five.

Attest,

Walter Linn Secy.

Resolution of the Senate.

2 May 1825-

3 May 1825 read

ratify Treaty with the Kansas
and Great & Little Osage Indians

