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George Sibley Memo on Preliminary Arrangement with Kansa Nation, September 30, 1818

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Memorandum of a preliminary arrangement (for the purchase and Sale of Lands) made on the 30.th day of Sep.^r 1818 at Fort Osage, between G. C. Sibley S. Ag.^t of Ind.ⁿ Affairs for the U. States, acting in this matter under Instruction from His Exc.^{cy} Gov.^r Clark, on the one part, and the Chiefs and Head Men of the Kansas Nation on the other part --

Proposition by G. C. Sibley -- The Governor has directed me to inquire of the Chiefs and Head Men of the Kansas Nation, whether they are willing to Sell a portion of their Lands to the United States? and if they are, to know of them the extent of the Tract they will Sell, and the Terms? --

The Said Chiefs and Warriors having had the above proposition under their consideration for two days and having consulted with nearly all the principal persons of their Nation (who are also here present) and have themselves heard the proposition; now come forward freely without the least persuasion or compulsion, in the presence of nearly the whole of their nation, and of many respectable white Persons, and Say,

That they are willing to establish the following lines as the bounds of the Territory which they will Sell to wit -- Beginning at the mouth of the Nodoway River on the Missouri, and from thence running in a direct course to the Mouth of the River La Plane, a branch of the Kansas River, thence thence due South to the Nee Osho River, thence direct to the most Southwardly head branch of the Tabo River, thence down Said Tabo to the Missouri, thence with the Missouri up to the beginning -- All the right, title and claim which they the Said Kansas Nation have to the Territory embraced within the bounds above described (and

also all the lands they own or claim Northeast of the Missouri River) they will Sell and transfer to the U. States forever, on the following terms and conditions to Wit --

At the Signing and Sealing of the Treaty of Transfer of the above Territory, The U. States Shall pay to the Kansas Nation \$1000. in Suitable Merchandise at fair prices, and Annually in the month of September ever after, at Such place as Shall be agreed on, the United States Shall pay to the Said Nation the following articles, or an equivalent, in Cash or other merchandise at the option of Said Kansas, to Say -- 100 3 p.^t Bkts. -- 150 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.^t D.^o 150 1.p.^t D.^o -- 150 yds. Strouds Ass.^d -- 20 yds. Scarlet Cloth -- 200 yds. Callico Ass.^d -- 20 lb. Vermillion, 40 Fusils--300 lb. Gunpowder--600 lb. Lead--\$100 value in Wampum and Trinkets, \$150 value in Kettles, Hoes, Axes, Knives, Flints, Awls & Tobacco All the Said Merch.^{ds} to be of good quality and the Said Chiefs and Head Men in behalf of their Nation give Notice, that they Shall further Stipulate in the Treaty of transfer above mentioned, for the particular protection of the U. States and for their aid and Counsel in effecting Amelioration of their present condition -- A Blacksmith to mend and repair their Guns, Hoes, Axes &c., will be particularly Stipulated for.

In testimony of the above, the Said chiefs and Warriors have affixed their marks to this Mem.^o having a full and clear understanding thereof.

Shone ge ne gain - head chf.	t	x	mk
Ca,he,ga,wa,ton e, gan-Son of 1. ^t chf.		x	mk
Wau,kun,che,ra	2 ^d Chief	x	mk
Big Neck	Warrior	x	"
Big Soldier	"	x	"
Petit Maijer	"	x	"
Waw,ken,Dugg	"	x	"
Pow,a,gon,he		x	
Coufo,mo,nee		x	
Maw,No,Wa		x	
Waw,Stron,gee,a		x	

In the Presence of

W. L. Clarke

F. L. Gray

A.J. Bruce

M. Eley

Paul Loise Ind.ⁿ Interpreter