# SAN CARLOS RESERVATION INDIANS.

# LETTER

FROM

# THE ACTING SECRETARY O THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING

An agreement with the San Carlos Reservation Indians ceding certain lands to the United States, together with reports from the Commissioners of Indian Affairs and of the General Land Office, and the draft of a bill ratifying and confirming the agreement.

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> DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, March 24, 1896.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith an agreement negotiated by United States Indian Inspector McCormick and the Indians of the San Carlos Reservation for the cession and relinquishment to the United States of a certain portion of the reservation, made in accordance with the provision contained in the Indian appropriation act of

March 2, 1895 (28 Stat., 894).
I also inclose copy of a report, dated 16th instant, from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and of report, dated 21st instant, from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, together with draft of a bill

ratifying and confirming the agreement.

The matter is presented for the favorable action of Congress.

Very respectully.

JNO. M. REYNOLDS, Acting Secretary.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, Washington, March 16, 1896.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by Department reference of the 6th instant for proper action, of United States Indian Inspector Province McCormick's report in the matter of negotiating with the Indians of the San Carlos Reservation, Ariz., for the cession

or relinquishment to the United States of a portion of the southern part of the reservation embracing the coal fields, as provided for in an item of the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, making appropriations for current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department and fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896 (28 Stats., 894). Said item is as follows:

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to negotiate with the Indians on the San Carlos Reservation, Ariz., through an inspector, for the cession or relinquishment to the United States of the lands embracing the coal fields, and that any agreement made shall be submitted to Congress for its action.

As shown by the report, the negotiations were successful, the Indians agreeing to the segregation of about half of that portion of the reservation lying south of the Gila River. Inspector McCormick states that in accordance with the instructions of this office, which were dated January 28, 1896, he made a careful personal inspection of the lands in question, and deemed it necessary to segregate this quantity in order to include all the lands rightly coming under the designation, "embraced in the coal fields." The lands segregated by the agreement will probably average 5 or 6 miles in width across the southern portion of the reservation.

With his report Inspector McCormick submits the agreement entered into as a result of the negotiations; also the minutes of the proceedings of the councils held with the Indians during the negotiations. The councils, it appears, were held on February 24 and 25, 1896, and the agreement was signed on the latter date. The minutes of the council proceedings show that some opposition was met with on the part of the White Mountain Apaches residing on the northern part of the reservation, near Fort Apache, who took advantage of the occasion to demand a division of the reservation among the Indians, so that the northern portion thereof might be assigned themselves. However, when they ascertained that this matter could not be considered at the present council, and after the agreement had been changed so as to provide that the proceeds of the sales of land should be paid them in cash, pro rata, it appears that they cheerfully signed the agreement.

Inspector McCormick states that by a personal canvass it was found that all the bands of the various tribes were well represented, the entire number present being estimated at 500 adult male Indians. It appears that the law authorizing the negotiations was carefully read and explained to the Indians, and that they had a clear and perfect understanding of the agreement before signing the same. At the close of the second day's council 603 Indians signed the agreement. Inspector McCormick states in his certificate that the records of the San Carlos Agency show that there are 1,083 adult male Indians over 18 years of age residing on the San Carlos Reservation, and that the agreement

has accordingly been signed by a majority thereof.

Section 1 of the agreement provides for the cession to the United States of all the land lying south of a line commencing at a point on the present eastern boundary of the said reservation 1 mile south of Goodwin spring; thence in a general direction west to the highest point on Mount Turnbull; thence in a westerly direction to a point on a line between the agency building proper and Stanley or the saddle butte, 7 miles from said building, in a southerly direction; thence in a westerly direction at longest possible tangents to the mouth of Hawk Canyon, not crossing said canyon; thence down the Gila River, following the south bank to a point where said Gila River crosses the present western boundary of the reservation.

Section 2 provides for the sale of the lands ceded under the coal and mineral laws of the United States, and that the proceeds shall be placed in the United States Treasury to the credit of the Indians, to be paid them pro rata in cash, from time to time, as the lands are sold and the funds become available.

Section 3 provides that the new boundary line shall be properly surveyed and permanently marked in a plain and substantial manner by prominent and durable monuments, and that the cost of said survey shall be chargeable to and be paid out of the proceeds of said ceded

lands.

Section 4 provides that the agreement shall not take effect and be in

force until ratified by the Congress of the United States.

I have the honor to transmit you herewith, for submission to Congress, copies in duplicate of Inspector McCormick's report, the council proceedings, and the agreement; also duplicate copies of this report and a bill for the ratification of the agreement. I respectfully recommend that one copy of each of these papers be submitted to the respective Houses of Congress for the ratification of the agreement.

I also respectfully recommend that the papers be first submitted to the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the suggestion of the necessary legislation to carry out the agreement with reference to the survey of the new boundary line; also with reference to the sale of the lands to the greatest advantage to the Indians, as well as to facilitate

the work of the General Land Office in the matter.

Since writing the above, I have received, by Department reference, a supplemental report from Inspector McCormick, dated the 5th instant, with which he transmits the signatures of 38 additional Apaches, intended as signatures to the agreement. The inspector states that the Indians in question were present at the councils, but did not sign at that time, being under the impression that the agreement would not be mailed to the Department for several days; and that after he had mailed the agreement and his report on February 29, they came into the agency and desired to sign. The inspector recommends that the signatures be attached to the agreement.

Duplicate copies of the signatures and Inspector McCormick's said

report are also inclosed herewith.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

D. M. BROWNING, Commissioner.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

SAN CARLOS, ARIZ., March 1, 1896.

SIR: I have the honor to report that I received on the 8th of February instructions from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, approved by the honorable Secretary of the Interior, to negotiate with the Indians residing upon the San Carlos Reservation for the relinquishment of what is known as the "coal fields." In compliance with those instructions, I have the honor to herewith inclose an agreement entered into on the 25th of February, 1896, with said Indians for the cession of said land to the United States Government. These said instructions stated that the honorable Secretary of the Interior "preferred an agreement which would authorize the sale of these lands by the United States and the payment to the Indians of the net proceeds, rather than the direct purchase of them."

Acting in accordance with these suggestions, it will be seen that this agreement

embodies the views suggested by the honorable Secretary of the Interior.

In this connection I desire to state, however, that it somewhat increases the difficulties in making an agreement with Indians to insert a provision of this character. It is difficult to explain and make perfectly plain to an Indian what is meant by net proceeds of a sale of land. The Indian has been in the habit of looking upon the

General Government as a huge money-making machine. He has been accustomed to dealing in lump sums. I simply mention this, so that in future, in case the Government desires to make similar agreements, it should not be disappointed if it failed.

The description of the Deer Creek Valley, as given in my instructions, is very accurate, and I can not improve upon it. At the time this description was made by the Geological Bureau this Deer Creek Valley was supposed to be the coal fields. My instructions stated that I should make a personal inspection of the supposed coal fields and endeavor to determine, with some degree of accuracy, what lands of the reservation should be rightly designated as "coal fields" and what lands should be included in the agreement.

In compliance with these instructions I personally inspected the Deer Creek Valley. and all other contiguous lands supposed to contain coal. I found in Hawk Canyon, which runs parallel with Deer Creek Valley, on the north side, as much evidence of coal as in Deer Creek, although not developed as in Deer Creek. The formation—limestone, sandstone, and the coal blossom—was everywhere to be seen. I am no geologist, and could not tell if I were, the quantity of coal on these lands. I believe, however, that these lands will develop fine coal fields. This, however, will have to

be determined by development.

The coal in Deer Creek Valley has been prospected. Veins 16 feet in thickness have

been and are now exposed.

The line of segregation, as will be seen by reference to the agreement, runs north of Hawk Canyon. This was done because I was firmly convinced that Hawk Canyon promises to be as good a coal field as Deer Creek. On the lands segregated are many fine copper prospects. The agreement provides for coal and mineral lands, in order

to cover any other minerals that may be located.

The proposed line, as described in the agreement, meets with the full approval of the acting agent, Captain Myer, and the Indians. It runs from a point on the eastern boundary to Mount Turnbull, thence westerly, etc. If a line had been run to cut out the coal fields alone, or what is supposed to be the coal fields, it would have left detached pieces of the reservation. After due consideration we determined it best to run the line from the eastern boundary, which would include all of the lands

supposed to have coal on them.

On the 24th of February it was estimated by competent judges that 500 Indians were assembled here in council. I never saw a more orderly, well-behaved, quiet, peaceable set of people together. Their exemplary good behavior was freely commented upon by the many whites who were present at this council, yet the newspaper published in Globe, the county seat, took occasion, as will be seen by the extract herewith appended, to publish a willful, malicious, uncalled-for lie and slander against these people, which is in keeping with many such articles that I have seen published by the papers about these people, and which must be the "reliable sources" of information referred to by the honorable Congressman from this Territory in his communications to the War and Interior Departments about the Apaches.

· I desire to express my thanks to the acting agent, Captain Myer, for his cooperation, and especially to Mr. Cheesman, the agency clerk, for valuable assistance ren-

dered me.

To Lieutenunt Nicholson, of the Seventh United States Cavalry, I am indebted for many kindnesses in furnishing me with a pack train and camp equipage, etc., in making my inspection of the coal lands.

Very respectfully,

P. McCormick, Inspector.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

SAN CARLOS AGENCY, ARIZ., February 24, 1896.

The Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians in open council assembled for the purpose of discussing the subject of the cession to the United States of the coal fields of their reservation.

By a personal canvass it was found that all the bands of the various tribes were well represented, and that the White Mountain Apaches residing near Fort Apache, in the northern part of the reservation, had sent a delegation of their chiefs and headmen, in all present estimated at 500 adult male Indians.

Inspector McCormick stated the business in hand in the following speech:

"My friends, I am glad to meet you all to-day. My business as an inspector has heretofore been confined to the Indians of the north, and this is my first visit to your reservation. I have been here among you for nearly a month, and I suppose you are

now thoroughly posted as to my mission here.
"Your reservation, as you know, was set aside for you by an Executive order some twenty-five years ago. Unlike most tribes of Indians you have not a treaty with the General Government. You are here, as it were, by the courtesy of the Government, and though you are here by courtesy, yet the Government proposes, in dealing with you on the business I am here for, to treat you as if you owned all of this land; it proposes to see that nothing is taken from you here without your full and free consent, and that every dollar realized shall go for your benefit alone.

"The Congress of the United States passed an act last year authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to send an inspector of the Department to this reservation to negotiate with you for the relinquishment of a part of your reservation known as the coal fields. I am here now for the purpose of seeing whether you are willing to cede to the United States these coal lands. These coal lands, as you know, are the state of the control of the cont white people because they understand how to utilize them. Now, in order to make them valuable to you, they should be worked by someone who can handle them.
"The Secretary of the Interior has, therefore, directed me to come here and say to

you that if you are willing to relinquish these lands to the United States, the United States will take them and hold them in trust, as it were and sell them for you; that the Government does not propose to make a dollar out of this transaction; it will act, as it were, as your agent, and that it will settle with you for every dollar realized from the sale of these lands, less the cost of handling and selling them.

"In other words, just like you would send a pony by your friend to some town around here to sell for you, and you would say to your friend, 'You sell this pony, pay the expenses incurred in your trip to town out of the proceeds, and give me the balance.' Now, the Government will sell this coal land for you, pay her officers who sell it their commission or fees, and give you the net proceeds. This is certainly a fair proposition. There is no desire, no intention, or no object in depriving you of the full benefit of every dollar realized. Unlike a great many Indians, you are poor and need every dollar you can get to assist you in making a living. The money derived from the sale of these lands will aid you very materially in making some progress toward being self-sustaining.
"You have a large reservation which is well adapted to grazing purposes, and the

money derived from the sale of these lands, invested judiciously in cattle, will help you very much. Now you have all heard what I have said, and I would like now to hear from you what you think about the proposition, and I wish to say here that every Indian is not only privileged but invited to state freely, and without hesitation,

his sentiments.

"Dou't hesitate for a moment to ask any and all questions on any matter that may

not be clear to you, and I will endeavor to be patient and explain as fully as I can."
Captain Myer, acting agent, then addressed the Indians as follows:
"I have seen the act of Congress relating to this matter, and have read the letter of instructions from the Secretary of the Interior, and I have to tell you that all that the inspector has stated is true. I have also been over the land and am well acquainted with its nature. It is utterly valueless to you as it now exists, as its value is under the ground and can only be developed with much skilled labor and large amounts of capital. I believe myself that the best thing for you to do is to consent to the cutting off of that portion of the reservation embracing the coal lands and obtain the benefit from the proceeds. I would advise you to cede this land. Of course, I have no personal interest in the matter; I get nothing out of it. It is only the interest I have in your welfare that prompts me to thus advise you.

"I would advise that the money derived from these lands be used in the purchase of cattle and sheep for you, and in harness, and for such other purposes as the Secretary may decide upon later; some money may be paid, but that will rest with the Congress and the Secretary. I am not making any promises for the Government, but just telling you what I think is right and the best thing for your people. Now, use calmness and do not get excited in your talk, if any differences should arise between

your wishes and those of the Government."

A copy of the proposed agreement, prepared to properly place the matter before

the Indians, was then read and interpreted in both Apache and Mohave.

Inspector McCormick stated that this agreement was gotten up in accordance with the views of the Government, and for the best results to the Indians; that they were to get the net proceeds from the sale of these lands, and it was proposed that this money should be expended for their benefit in the purchase of cattle or for other purposes, which was left to the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior; and he further stated that if there were any objection to any feature or provision in the agreement read he would like to know it, and he invited a general and full discussion on the part of the Indians.

Pete (M. C. 1), the principal chief among the Mohaves, first spoke and referred to the time-some twenty-five years ago-when the Government brought and placed

them upon this reservation; he recognizes that they do not own the land of the reservation, but simply have the privilege of occupancy; that the portion to be ceded was of no value to them as it stands and that he did not know what was under the ground in the shape of minerals; he knew that the whites understood mining and that the Indians could not do anything of themselves, but they could work for the whites and he would ask the President that, when these mines were opened up, the Indians should be given work in them; he said that they (the Apaches) were not the bad Indians represented in the East; that they had not stolen or killed whites, and that now they ask the whites to come and open up their mines and to give them work to do; he says that there are a great many old persons among them who would prefer money, but that he was willing to leave it with the Secretary or to take half money and half cattle, and in case cattle were issued to them he would like to have the President furnish them two white cowboys to look after the cattle and protect their brands and not allow the whites to drive them away; he would also like for the Indians to have the benefit of timber and grass from the ceded lands. He closed with saying that he spoke for all the Mohaves.

Pakyoola (Md. 1) made a speech covering a number of the points brought out by

Pete, expressing a sentiment in his band favorable to an agreement.

Alchesay, principal chief of the White Mountain Indians, speaking for the White Mountains (Apaches), said that they did not want to sign the agreement, as they had no interest in the land in question; that they lived at Fort Apache, in the northern part of the reservation, and wanted the reservation divided and an agent appointed for their half, but he was opposed to having the reservation diminished, for the whites were close about them now; he would like to go to Washington with six or eight other chiefs and make a treaty with the President.

Nosy (C. F. 54) did not want to dispose of the land, and said he represented in

this his entire band; he gave no reasons for his stand.

Cassador (S. J. 1) expressed himself the same way, without giving any reasons.

At this point Inspector McCormick asked him the following questions: "Do any of you Indians live in these mountains?" Could you remain there and make a living? Does it make you any richer or better off to keep the coal under the ground?" To all these questions he answered: "We don't want the coal fields cut off."

Chequita (Ca 1) spoke of his great love for these lands and opposed the agreement. Sabe Muncho (S. B. 9) in his speech says that the Indians do not want cattle and mules, but money, and this seems to be the secret of the opposition.

Mose Gila (S. W. 12) opposes the agreement without giving any reasons further than to say that their children, educated in Government schools, could develop these mines and sell the coal to the whites.

Skintiah and Nockynogios, White Mountain Apaches, then objected to the cutting off the coal fields, expressed their love for the land, and were opposed to having the

whites any nearer them.

Eskilta (Te 1) says that he first opposed the railroad coming across the reservation, but now he is in favor of it, if the Indians are paid money, and he will agree

to the selling of the coal fields if money is paid.

This man was followed by several Coyotera Apaches, who were opposed to any agreement unless the proceeds should be paid to them in money. Most of the Indians acknowledged that this land was of no benefit to them at present, but it cropped out in their talks that the proposed line or new boundary was thought to be too near some of them. which, together with the nature of the payment, were the real points of objection. Inspector McCormick made further explanation in regard to the relinquishment desired by the Government, and spoke of the trivial and fancied objections raised by the Indians, and, as it was growing late, suggested an adjournment until the next day, requested the chiefs and headmen to talk the business over carefully among themselves, and to come to-morrow prepared to act sensibly in the matter for their own benefit and that of their children.

The Moliave speakers again declared their willingness to sign the agreement and

accept the terms offered them.

The council then adjourned.

D. G. CHEESMAN, Acting Secretary.

Interpreters: James Stevens, Constant Bread, Mike Burns, Arthur Ducat.

SAN CARLOS AGENCY, ARIZ., February 25, 1896.

Pursuant to adjournment of yesterday, the Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians in open council assembled for the purpose of discussing further the question of ceding the coal fields.

Inspector McCormick first addressed the Indians in further explanation as to the wishes of the Government, and in order to meet the principal objection raised by the

Coyotera Apaches to the disposal of the coal fields, he had varied the line or new boundary of the reservation.

Bylish (C. F. 24), representing as speaker the several bands of Coyoteras, then

addressed the council as follows:

"The Government had its own way in respect to getting our children for schools, and in all instances the Government has had its way. Yesterday all the people objected to changing the line of the reservation and to give up their coal fields. The Government makes its promises, but where is the man who can say the Government has done what it has promised. We have been here three days talking about this matter and it should have been settled in one day. Let it be written down that it be paid in money."

It was then stated by the Mohaves that they were in favor of ceding the lands and taking the proceeds as the Secretary may decide. The Coyoteras all insisted that the proceeds be paid in cash and that this provision be placed in the agreement.

Inspector McCormick then asked them if the boundary line was satisfactory to them, and they answered yes; then, if the proceeds (net) was paid to them in cash and so stated in the agreement, were they all willing to sign it, and they answered

Bylish (C. F. 24) requested that a copy of the agreement made be retained at the

agency office, which was duly promised.
Alchesay, White Mountain chief, said:

"The people living close to you make their request; now, I am far away, and I have something to ask for. We live at Fort Apache, and do not want any of the proceeds of the sale of these coal lands, but what we want is a division of the reser-

He was not favorable to signing the agreement, but was told that they (White Mountain Apaches) were considered to have an interest like the other Indians, and

should be negotiated with.

He then agreed to sign for the White Mountains living at Fort Apache, and said that they were the chiefs and headmen and represented all the Indians living at Fort Apache; and he wishes it stated that the White Mountain Apaches, through the men present, declare that they agree to the cession of the land, but desire none of the money derived therefrom, because they live north of the Black River and do not think that they are entitled to share in it.

Captain Myer, acting agent, replied that the matter of a division of their reservation was entirely distinct from the present business, and that he (Myer) expected soon to make a special report on the subject and would later hear what they had to say in regard to it.

The chiefs and headmen then expressed themselves as being ready to commence signing the agreement, which had in the meantime been changed in respect to payment in cash of the net proceeds instead of the money being expended in purchase of cattle, etc.

D. G. CHEESMAN, Acting Secretary.

Interpreters: James Stevens, Constant Bread, Mike Burns, Arthur Ducat.

SAN CARLOS AGENCY, ARIZ., February 27, 1896.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing minutes of the proceedings of the two councils held at said agency on the 24th and 25th days of February, 1896, with the Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Iudians for the cession to the United States of that portion of their reservation embracing the coal fields.

> PROVINCE MCCORMICK, United States Indian Inspector.

# Agreement with the Indians of the San Carlos Reservation.

This agreement, made on the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, pursuant to an item in the act of Congress making appropriations for current and contingent expenses and fulfilling treaty stipulations with Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, as follows: "The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to negotiate with the Indians on the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona, through an inspector, for the cession or relinquishment to the United States of the lands embracing the coal fields, and that any agreement made shall be submitted to Congress for its action," by Province McCormick, United States Indian inspector, on the part of the United States, and the Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians, residing on the San Carlos Indian Reservation, in the Territory of Arizona,

by their chiefs, headmen, and members of said tribes, embracing a majority of all the male adult Indians occupying said reservation, witnesseth:

#### ARTICLE 1.

That the said Indians do hereby cede, grant, and relinquish to the United States all right, title, and claim which they may have in and to all the land embraced within the following-described tract, now a part of the said San Carlos or White

direction to a point on a line between the agency building proper and Stanley, or the Saddle butte, seven miles from said building in a southerly direction; thence in a westerly direction at longest possible tangents to the mouth of Hawk Canyon, not crossing said canyon; thence down the Gila River, following the south bank to a point where said Gila River crosses the present western boundary of the reservation.

#### ARTICLE II.

That in consideration of the lands ceded, relinquished, and conveyed, as aforesaid, the United States stipulates and agrees to place in the Treasury of the United States, to the credit and for the sole benefit of the said Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians, and to account therefor annually to them through their agent, the net proceeds accruing from the disposal of such coal and mineral lands lying within the ceded territory, under the laws applicable thereto, and that said money shall be paid to them in cash from time to time as the same shall become available, pro rata, share and share alike to each man, woman, and child of the tribes now living upon and entitled to the privileges of the said reservation:

Provided, That none of the money credited to said Indians under this agreement shall be subject to the payment of any claims, judgments, or demands against said Indians for damages or depredations claimed to have been committed prior to the

signing of this agreement.

#### ARTICLE III.

That for the purpose of segregating the ceded land from the diminished reservation, the new boundary line described in Article I of the agreement shall be properly surveyed and permanently marked in a plain and substantial manner by prominent and durable monuments, and that the cost of said survey shall be chargeable to and paid out of the proceeds of said ceded lands.

#### ARTICLE IV.

This agreement shall not take effect and be in force until ratified by the Congress of the United States.

Dated and signed at San Carlos Agency, Arizona, on the twenty-fifth day of Feb-

ruary, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

PROVINCE MCCORMICK, United States Indian Inspector.

The foregoing articles of agreement having been fully explained to us, in open council, we, the undersigned chiefs, headmen, and members of the several bands of Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians, attached to and receiving rations at the San Carlos Agency, in the Territory of Arizona, do hereby consent and agree to all the stipulations therein contained.

Witness our hands and seals at San Carlos Agency, Arizona, this twenty-fifth day

of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

#### White Mountain Indians.

Al che say, his x mark [S].
 Eskeynakosh, his x mark [S].
 Chis cheden, his x mark [S].

4. Pete, his x mark [S].

5. Olin teh, his x mark [S].6. Nan tish kay, his x mark [S].

7. Manuel, his x mark [S]. 8. Bielkey, his x mark [8]

9. Benel kou, his x mark [S].

10. Es kinnaspasa, his x mark [S].

11. Eskil kai, his x mark [S]. 12. Baga no gis, his x mark [S].

13. Cheno, his x mark [8].14. John Dazen, his x mark [8].15. Nanakohen, his x mark [8]. 16. George, his x mark [S].

17. Lupe, his x mark [S].

We, the undersigned, certify that Alchesay and the White Mountain headmen present and signing above acknowledge and declare that they were authorized to sign this agreement for all the White Mountain Indians over 18 years of age, numbering in all, including those present, three hundred and sixty-six (366) men.

> P. McCormick, United States Indian Inspector.

ALBERT L. MYER, Captain, Eleventh Infantry, Acting Indian Agent.

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Interpreters: James Stevens, Mike Burns.
                                                                      77. Mose, his x mark [S].
78. William Jack, his x mark [S].
79. Choponma, his x mark [S].
80. David O. Wando [S].
18. Bylish, his x mark [S].
19. Nosy, his x mark [S].
20. Pete, his x mark [S].
21. Placava, his x mark [8].
22. Nalgooday, his x mark [S].
23. Eskinaspas, his x mark [S].
24. Koon kau, his x mark [S].
                                                                      81. May ura, his x mark [8]
                                                                      82. Don Juan, his x mark [8].
83. George William [8].
25. Chequi to, his x mark [S].
                                                                      84. William Dent, his x mark [S].
                                                                     85. Chimney, his x mark [S].
86. Mokaya, his x mark [S].
87. Kocky, his x mark [S].
26. Victor, his x mark [S].
27. Charley Nott, his x mark [8]. 28. John Smith, his x mark [8].
29. Eskinayelta, his x mark [8].
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30. Eskilta, his x mark [S].
31. Kilkosay, his x mark [S].
32. Kaydussilchay, his x mark [S].
33. Chequito Hay, his x mark [S].
34. Cantain Jack his x mark [S].
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90. Kazah, his x mark [8].
91. Zivi zayata, his x mark [8].
                                                                      92. Capitan Chequita, his x mark [S].
34. Captain Jack, his x mark [8].
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35. Cassadore, his x mark [S]. 36. Johan, his x mark [S].
                                                                     94. Ramon, his x mark [S]. 95. Datzah, his x mark [S].
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97. Skinalgus, his x mark [S].
98. Klappa, his x mark [S].
99. Napoleon Nabotsene, his x mark [S].
37. Sabe Muncho, his x mark [S].
38. Pitchu, his x mark [S].
39. Kwail, his x mark [S].
40. Witheema, his x mark [S].
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101. Hoseh, his x mark [S].
41. Sayaka, his x mark [S]
42. Avtahja, his x mark [S]
43. Chukaba, his x mark [S].
44. Tom Jones, his x mark [S].
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45. Justaskai, his x mark [8]
46. Joe Rappa, his x mark [8]
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                                                                    106. John Dazen, his x mark [S].
107. Lewis, his x mark [S].
108. Nat say a, his x mark [S].
47. Bahnayhah, his x mark [S]
48. Chew am ma, his x mark [S].
49. Michisos Kelly, his x mark [S].
50. You, his x mark [8].
51. Maybilly, his x mark [8].
52. Med etawa, his x mark [8]
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132. Obed Rabbitt [S].
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134. John J. Ingalls [S]
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75. Ootva, his x mark [S].

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565. Joldale, his x mark [S].
566. Tommy, his x mark [S]. 588. Nas day, his x mark [S]. 589. Dajokaydey, his x mark [S]. 590. Abner Upshaw [S]. 591. John Shay, his x mark [S]. 567. Baguswoody, his x mark [S]. 568. Halwoolpa, his x mark [S]. 569. Get eni ha, his x mark [S]. 592. Mike Burns [S]. 593. James Mie, his x mark [8]. 594. Bay so day, his x mark [8]. 595. Jus than, his x mark [8]. 570. John Skiyagal, his x mark [S].

571. Skeh yome, his x mark [S]. 572. Enskinny, his x mark [S]. 573. Ben Stago [S]. 574. Morgan Toprock [S].

575. Naganechiddy, his x mark [S]. 576. Zet lau, his x mark [S].

577. Yasseyasa, his x mark [S]. 578. Esskinkandsay, his x mark [S].

596. Nesdeah, his x mark [S] 597. Has kel netel, his x mark [S]. 598. Gilbert Pusher [S]. 599. Dabay dase, his x mark [S].

600. James Stevens [S]. 601. Frank Panya, his x mark [S]. 602. Tom surrama, his x mark [S]. 603. Austin Navajo [S].

### Witness:

ALBERT L. MYER, Captain Eleventh Infantry, Acting Indian Agent. D. G. CHEESMAN, Agency Clerk.

We hereby certify that the foregoing articles of agreement were carefully read and explained to the Indians, parties hereto, in open council, and were thoroughly understood by them before signing the same, and that the agreement was executed and signed by said Indians at the San Carlos Indian Agency, in Arizona Territory, on the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

JAMES STEVENS, United States Special Interpreter. CONSTANT BREAD, United States Agency Interpreter, Apache. MIKE BURNS, United States Special Interpreter. ARTHUR DUCAT. United States Agency Interpreter, Mohave.

#### Witness:

ALBERT L. MYER, Capt. Eleventh Infantry, Acting Indian Agent. D. G. CHEESMAN, Agency Clerk.

I certify that the records of this office show that the total number of males on this reservation over 18 years of age, according to last census, was 1,113, of whom 30 are scouts in the United States service and permanently absent, leaving 1,083.

> ALBERT L. MYER, Captain, Eleventh Infantry, Acting Indian Agent.

SAN CARLOS AGENCY, ARIZ., February 25, 1896.

SAN CARLOS AGENCY, ARIZ., February 25, 1896.

I certify that the records of this office show 1,083 male adult Indians over 18 years of age now residing on this entire reservation, and that the foregoing agreement has been duly signed by a majority thereof.

PROVINCE MCCORMICK, United States Indian Inspector.

SAN CARLOS AGENCY, ARIZ., March 5, 1896.

SIR: I have the honor to herewith transmit the signatures of thirty-eight Apache Indians to be attached to the agreement for the segregation of the coal land of the San Carlos Reservation. The agreement and report was mailed on February 29; these Indians came into the agency after I had mailed it; they were present at the

councils held, and were under the impression that the agreement would not be mailed as soon as it was; they expressed a desire to have their names sent on and attached to it. I would respectfully request that this be done, if not too late, as I desire to show that I got almost the unanimous consent of these people to this agreement, notwithstanding the bad odor they are in with the people of Arizona; moreover, by humoring them in this slight request, it may be of benefit to me in dealing with them hereafter, should I ever be sent here on another mission. If the above statement and reason is sufficient, I would request that they be attached to the agreement. Very respectfully,

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, D. C. P. McCormick, Inspector.

Supplemental list of signatures of Indians to agreement relative to segregation of San Carlos coal lands of February 25, 1896.

- 1. Antonio, his x mark [S]. 2. Haskoostah, his x mark [S].
- 3. John Lowry, his x mark [S] 4. Albert Ethens, his x mark [S].
- 5. Navaklish, his x mark [S].6. Geo. Washington, his x mark [S]. 7. John Cook, his x mark [S].
- 8. Haspel choas, his x mark [S]. 9. Eskibatel, his x mark [S]
- 10. Jinay goos, his x mark [S].

  11. Napa neh, his x mark [S]. 12. Ladolghool, his x mark [S].
- 13. Egan, his x mark [S].14. Festus Pelone, his x mark [S].
- 15. Zinnilto, his x mark [S]. 16. Balatsin, his x mark [S].
- 17. Naosdley, his x mark [S].
  18. Haskebadis tinny, his x mark [S].
- 19. Yahes han, his x mark [S].

- 20. Haskehds dahhay, his x mark [S].
- 21. Joshayhay, his x mark [S].
- 22. Hardie, his x mark [S] 23. John Tanata, his x mark [S].
- 24. Bazinny, his x mark [S]. 25. Estinay, his x mark [S]. 26. Cheedn, his x mark [S].

- 27. Chilchuana, his x mark [S]. 28. Natakake, his x mark [S]. 29. Natey nya, his x mark [S]. 30. Hodatso, his x mark [S].
- 31. Badetson, his x mark [S].
  32. John Davis, his x mark [S].
  33. Eskeyadahasulus, his x mark [S].
  - 34. Haskiltega, his x mark [S].
- 35. Tommy, his x mark [S.] 36. Tadithlay, his x mark [S]. 37. Bayheltah, his x mark [S].
- 38. John Miller, his x mark [S].

#### Witnesses:

ALBERT L. MYER, Capt. Eleventh Infantry, Acting Agent. F. P. BURNETT, Issue Clerk.

We hereby certify that the foregoing articles of agreement were carefully read and explained to the Indians, parties hereto, in open council, and were thoroughly understood by them before signing the same, and that the agreement was executed and signed by said Indians at the San Carlos Indian Agency, in Arizona Territory, on the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

JAMES STEVENS, United States Special Interpreter. CONSTANT BREAD, United States Agency Interpreter, Apache. ARTHUR DUCAT. United States Special Interpreter, Mohave.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, GENERAL LAND OFFICE, Washington, D. C., March 21, 1896.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by your reference of March 17, 1896, of a letter dated March 16, 1896, and accompanying papers from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs relative to the negotiations with the Indians of the San Carlos Reservation, Ariz., for the cession or relinquishment to the United States of a portion of the southern part of the reservation, embracing the coal fields, as provided for in an item in the act of Congress of March 2, 1895 (28 Stat. L., 894).

Among the papers transmitted is a draft of a bill ratifying the agreement made with the Indians of said reservation, and I am directed to "report thereon and submit draft of necessary legislation to carry out the agreement with reference to survey of boundary lines, sale of lands," etc.

From the best information I have been able to obtain, it is evident that the coal lands in such ceded portion of said reservation are not of great value, and it is thought that the uniform price of \$5 per acre for such coal lands is as much as the Government can reasonably expect to obtain for the same.

It is estimated that it will cost \$1,800 to have the survey of the boundary lines

made as provided in the third article of the agreement.

Attention is called to the fact that by section 4, as proposed, the coal lands shall be sold at private sale, that there is no limitation as to the number of entries which may be made by an individual or by an association of individuals, and that a specified class of individuals is given a preference right of entry.

I submit herewith additional sections for the survey of the boundary lines and for

the sale of the coal and mineral lands within the ceded limits:

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior shall cause the said boundary line (estimated length forty-five miles), as described in article three of the agreement quoted and made a part of this act, to be surveyed, marked, and established, by permanent and durable monuments of stone, the same to be set at each mile and half-mile point and at the angles formed on said line, and set, marked, and witnessed in conformity with instructions to be furnished by said Secretary of the Interior, relating thereto; the compensation to be allowed for executing said survey not to exceed the sum of forty dollars per mile, including the monuments.

SEC. 3. There is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of the preceding section, said amount to be immediately available: Provided, however, That, from the section, said amount to be immediately available: Provided, however, That, from the proceeds of the sale of the lands ceded by said agreement, there shall first be deducted an amount sufficient to reimburse the United States for the expenditure authorized

by this section.

SEC. 4. Every person above the age of twenty-one years, who is a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such, or any association of persons severally qualified as above, shall, upon application to the register of the proper land office, have the right to enter any quantity of vacant coal lands upon the ceded portion of said reservation, not exceeding one hundred and sixty acres, to such individual person, or three hundred and twenty acres to such association, to be taken, as near as practicable, in square form, upon payment to the receiver of five dollars per acre for such lands: Provided, however, That any person or association qualified as above, who in good faith prior to the passage of this act, had discovered and opened a coal mine, shall have a preference right of purchase for ninety days from and after the official filing in the local land office of the approved plat of survey provided for hy section two of this act. provided for by section two of this act.

SEC. 5. Any person or association applying to purchase such coal lands, shall file with such application a plat and field notes of the land sought to be entered, made by or under the direction of the United States Surveyor-General, showing accurately the boundaries of the land claimed, which shall be distinctly marked by monuments on the ground, and connected by course and distance with a permanent fixed monument, within two miles, which monument shall be established as the initial point of

all surveys within such distance.

SEC. 6. Mining claims upon said ceded lands, for deposits of mineral other than coal, whether lode or vein, or placer, may be located and purchased in accordance with the terms of the general mining laws of the United States, as found in title thirty-two, chapter six of the Revised Statutes of the United States and amendments

SEC. 7. All locations of the character specified in section six, heretofore made upon said land, are hereby validated, but no application for the purchase of any coal or mineral lands shall be received at the local land office prior to the official filing of

the plat provided for by section two of this act.

I have not suggested any legislation relative to the method of distribution of the net proceeds of the sale of said lands.

The papers transmitted by your reference, with a duplicate copy of this report, are herewith inclosed.

Very respectfully,

S. W. LAMOREUX. Commissioner.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

A BILL to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Indians of the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona, for the cession and relinquishment to the United States of a certain portion of the reservation.

Whereas Province McCormick, United States Indian inspector, did, on the twentyfifth day of February, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress of March second, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, twenty-eighth Statutes at Large, page eight hundred and ninety-four, conclude an agreement with the Indians of the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona, for the cession and relinquishment to the United States of the lands of the reservation embracing the coal fields, which said agreement is in words and figures as follows, to wit:

This agreement, made on the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, pursuant to an item in the act of Congress making appropriations for current and contingent expenses and fulfilling treaty stipulations with Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, as follows: "The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to negotiate with the Indians on the San Carlos Reservation, Arizona, through an inspector, for the cession or relinquishment to the United States of the lands embracing the coal fields, and that any agreement made shall be submitted to Congress for its action," by Province McCormick, United States Indian inspector, on the part of the United States, and the Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians, residing on the San Carlos Indian Reservation, in the Territory of Arizona, by their chiefs, headmen, and members of said tribes, embracing a majority of all the male adult Indians occupying said reservation, witnesseth:

#### ARTICLE I.

That the said Indians do hereby cede, grant, and relinquish to the United States all right, title, and claim which they may have in and to all the land embraced within the following-described tract, now a part of the said San Carlos or White

Mountain Indian Reservation, to wit:

All the land lying south of a line, commencing at a point on the present eastern boundary of the said reservation, one mile south of Goodwin Spring; thence in a general direction west to the highest point on Mount Turnbull; thence in a westerly direction to a point on a line between the agency building proper and Stanley, or the Saddle butte, seven miles from said building in a southerly direction; thence in a westerly direction at longest possible tangents to the mouth of Hawk Canyon, not crossing said canyon; thence down the Gila River, following the south bank to a point where said Gila River crosses the present western boundary of the reservation.

## ARTICLE II.

That in consideration of the lands ceded, relinquished, and conveyed, as aforesaid, the United States stipulates and agrees to place in the Treasury of the United States to the credit and for the sole benefit of the said Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians and to account therefor annually, to them through their agent, the net proceeds accruing from the disposal of such coal and mineral lands, lying within the ceded territory, under the laws applicable thereto; and that said money shall be paid to them in cash from time to time as the same shall become available, pro rata, share and share alike to each man, woman, and child of the tribes now living upon and entitled to the privileges of the said reservation: Provided, That none of the money credited to said Indians under this agreement shall be subject to the payment of any claims, judgments, or demands against said Indians for damages or depredations, claimed to have been committed prior to the signing of this agreement.

#### ARTICLE III.

That for the purpose of segregating the ceded land from the diminished reservation the new boundary line described in article one of the agreement shall be properly surveyed and permanently marked in a plain and substantial manner by prominent and durable monuments; and that the cost of said survey shall be chargeable to and be paid out of the proceeds of said ceded lands.

## ARTICLE IV.

This agreement shall not take effect and be in force until ratified by the Congress. of the United States.

Dated and signed at San Carlos Agency, Arizona, on the twenty-fifth day of Feb-

ruary, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

PROVINCE McCORMICK, United States Indian Inspector.

The foregoing articles of agreement having been fully explained to us in open council, we, the undersigned chiefs, headmen, and members of the several bands of Apache, Mohave, and Yuma Indians, attached to and receiving rations at the San Carlos Agency, in the Territory of Arizona, do hereby consent and agree to all the stipulations therein contained.

Witness our hands and seals at San Carlos Agency, Arizona, this twenty-fifth day

of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.
(Here follows 603 signatures of the adult male Indians of the San Carlos Reserva-

tion.)

Witness:

ALBERT L. MYER, Capt. Eleventh Infantry, Acting Indian Agent. D. G. CHEESMAN, Agency Clerk.

We hereby certify that the foregoing articles of agreement were carefully read and explained to the Indians, parties hereto, in open council, and were thoroughly understood by them before signing the same, and that the agreement was executed and signed by said Indians at the San Carlos Indian Agency, in Arizona Territory, on the twenty-fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

> JAMES STEVENS, United States Special Interpreter. CONSTANT BREAD, United States Agency Interpreter, Apache. MIKE BURNS. United States Special Interpreter. ARTHUR DUCAT. United States Agency Interpreter, Mohave.

Witness:

ALBERT L. MYER, Capt. Eleventh Infantry, Acting Indian Agent. D. G. CHEESMAN, Agency Clerk.

I certify that the records of this office show that the total number of males on this reservation over eighteen years of age, according to last census, was eleven hundred and thirteen, of whom thirty are scouts in the United States service and permanently absent, leaving ten hundred and eighty-three.

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I certify that the records of this office show ten hundred and eighty-three male adult Indians over eighteen years of age now residing on this entire reservation, and that the foregoing agreement has been duly signed by a majority thereof.

PROVINCE McCormick, United States Indian Inspector.

Now, therefore:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That said agreement be, and the same hereby is, accepted, ratified, and confirmed.

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