

LETTER
OF THE
SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMUNICATING

An estimate of appropriation required to pay the expenses of a special agent to take the census of the North Carolina Cherokees, in accordance with the act of July 27, 1868.

JANUARY 20, 1869.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1869.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit to Congress, herewith, a copy of a communication dated the 19th instant, from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, together with the estimate, therein submitted, of appropriation required to pay the expenses of a special agent to take the census of the North Carolina Cherokees, in accordance with the act of Congress of July 27, 1868, amounting to \$3,500.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

O. H. BROWNING,
Secretary.

Hon. B. F. WADE,
President pro tempore United States Senate.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1869.

SIR: I have the honor to enclose, herewith, a copy of a letter from S. H. Swetland, esq., United States special agent, to take the census of the North Carolina Cherokees, submitting an estimate of the probable amount of the expenses connected with the duties assigned to him as such special agent.

The special agent estimates that \$3,500 will be required for the year to defray the necessary expenses connected with the eastern Cherokees, and believing the amount will be actually necessary, I have caused to be prepared an estimate of appropriations required for the purpose, amounting to \$3,500, and respectfully request that copies of the same be transmitted to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives for the action of Congress.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

N. G. TAYLOR,
Commissioner.

Hon. O. H. BROWNING,
Secretary of the Interior.

WASHINGTON, *January 18, 1869.*

SIR: According to your request, I have made an estimate of the amount requisite to be appropriated to meet the requirements of the act of Congress of July 27, 1868, and make the payment of the moneys due from the government, as contemplated in said act.

The personal and incidental expenses, including the assistance of interpreter, &c., in making the census, was	\$575 00
The travelling expenses.....	200 00
The expenses of payment, (estimated)	600 00
The travelling expenses of payment, (estimated).....	150 00
Per diem of agent, including whole service of taking census, making two copies, and payment and returns of same, nine months, (or if the request of the Cherokees is carried out, to continue the agency longer).....	1,350 00
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	2,875 00
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The foregoing is but an estimate based upon the expenses and time already made. In my judgment the department ought to estimate the requirements for all the expenditures for the year relative to said eastern Cherokees at \$3,500.

Very respectfully,

S. H. SWETLAND,
United States Special Agent.

Hon. N. G. TAYLOR,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

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