BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE PILLAGER BANDS OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA,))
Plaintiffs,)
v.) Docket No. 144
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Defendant.)

FINAL AWARD

Upon the findings of fact 1 through 17, previously entered herein, and the Commission's findings of fact 18 through 36 and the opinion this date filed herein, all of which are made a part of this order, the Commission concludes as a matter of law that:

- 1. The total land and water acreage in the subject tract, Royce 269, was 814,500 acres.
- 2. The fair market value of Royce 269, on April 7, 1848, the proclamation date of the Treaty of August 21, 1847, 9 Stat. 908, was \$425,000.00.
- 3. The total consideration paid by the United States for the cession of Royce 269 was \$19,706.94.
- 4. The payment of consideration in the amount of \$19,706.94 for lands having a fair market value of \$425,000.00 was so grossly inadequate as to render that consideration unconscionable within the meaning of clause 3, section 2 of the Indian Claims Commission Act, 60 Stat. 1049, 1050.
- 5. The claimed gratuitous offsets in the amount of \$1,470.00 are disallowed.
- 6. The plaintiffs are entitled to recover the amount of \$405,293.06, representing the fair market value of Royce 269, \$425,000.00, less the consideration of \$19,706.94 paid therefor.

It is hereby ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the Pillager Bands of Chippewa Indians shall have and recover of and from the defendant the sum of \$405,293.06, which sum is in full satisfaction of all claims in Docket 144.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 25 day of action 1973

erome K. Kuykendall, Chairman

John T. Vance, Commissioner

Richard W. Yarborough, Commissioner

Margaret I. Pierce, Commissioner

Brantley Blue, Commissioner