## BEFORE THE INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

THE MINNESOTA CHIPPEWA TRIBE,	)	
et al.,	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
<b>v.</b>	)	Docket No. 18-S
	)	
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

## INTERLOCUTORY ORDER

Upon the findings of fact and opinion this day entered herein, which are hereby made a part of this order, the Commission concludes that:

- 1. The acreage of the subject tract, Royce Area 261, is 10,538,000 acres.
- The fair market value of Royce Area 261 on March 28, 1843, the ratification date of the Treaty of October 4, 1842 (7 Stat. 591), was \$8,862,818.00.
- 3. The promised consideration for these lands, as set forth in the 1842 treaty, was \$875,000.00.
- 4. The consideration of \$875,000.00 for lands having a fair market value of \$8,862,818.00 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).

IT IS ORDERED that the case proceed to a determination of the payments actually made under the treaty and the gratuitous offsets, if any, which may be allowed under the Indian Claims Commission Act.

Dated at Washington, D. C., this 14th day of January 1976

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