## Nitakechi et al. to John Henry Eaton

Chocktaw Agency Novr. 20, 1829

Friend & Brother,

We the undersigned headmen of the South East District of the Chocktaw Nation, humbly petition our greate Father the President of the U.N. States that money may be appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expences of a party of our people to explore the Chocktaw country west of the Mississippi it is our wish to send eight men with a leader & Interpreter. we suppose that it will take between three & four months to look at the country well & return. we are poor, therefore, would wish to have an outfit sufficient to make us comfortable such as gun & amunition & a few articles of clothing for every each man, if our great Father the President will grant his red children their humble petition, they will so soon as they return make known their wishes & intentions to their great Father. it is our wish that our white friend & Brother Mr John Bond may be appointed our leader & our countryman Pierre Juzan be appointed Interpreter, we would wish to start as soon as the means can be furnished, we remain your dutiful children looking up to you as our great Father & guardian

Natuckayah his X mark
Yach Hopia his X mark
Hopio Tubbe his X mark
Isater Homer his X mark
Coa Homer his X mark
Pierre Juzan
Ona Hubbee his X mark
Sheshemataka his X mark
Hopia Homa his X mark
Hopio Anchahubbee his X mark

Test. M. Mackey US Interpreter

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