

Choctaw Agency Aug. 19th 1830

Sir

Agreeable to the request of Mayr. Waulley I did attempt to collect a general Council near the center of the nation at a place appointed to pay Seflours District Annually. I had sent one of the Interpreters to notify the Southern Chiefs and Headmen. but to my surprise I found they refused to assemble at any place in Seflours District but appointed a Council at a different place where both the Ints. attended. Mayr. Patchlynn who will be the Bearer of this letter will give you a detailed account of the Council. At the request of some of the Colberts & Cheeknaws Patchlynn has agreed to go on to Franklin Tenn. to Europe and the President of the U. States, who will be able to give you much information relative to the views and parties of the Choctaws which you will find no doubt to correspond with my former communications. Also It is expected that Col. Davt. W. Wright will be in Nashville about the same time, and I have requested him to call on you. Col. Wright has lived on the Boundary line for many years, and his profession calls him to pass through the nation three or four times a year and has been an eye witness to the whole course of the views of the Choctaws, nearly as much as my self, and as I am unable to see you myself on account of bad health. I have requested Col. Wright to call on you & Pres. Jackson and inform you of the best way to get these unfortunate people to consent to remove beyond the Mississippi River.

I say unfortunate people and what in part makes
them more so they have had advisers, who no doubt
are ~~always~~ opposed to the best interest of the Indians
and a righteous policy of the Government and
their only true friends. I presume that Map
& only has sent on the ansion of Siplow and
Folsom and a few of their followers, which answer
you will readily see goes to implicate the old
Interpreters as being the cause of the division
of this nation. when in fact it originated with
the Indians not being willing to come under
Siplow as the only chief of the nation.

I have the Honor to be very

Respectfully yours

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Hon John H. Eaton

Secy of War