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From: Cornelius Hill, Jasper O. Powless, Elijah Skenando, Jacob Cornelius, John Cornelius, Paul Powless, Baptist Skenandoah, Adam Swamp, Henry Powless, and Martinez King.

The Chiefs here at Oneida desire to say a few words to our Father the President. We wish to say that these are about one hundred and fifty people here who have no land here, Has, now been laid before you by them.

We suppose the President will take into consideration what has been laid before him by the petitioners from this place. We know that the President does not wish that there should be any crying among the people and nations under his protections. We do beg that the President will take into consideration what our people the petitioners have now laid before him and take pity on them and help them, we have had pity on them so far as to give them the privilege of making improvements here, and of living in our settlement thus far.

In behalf of our people we say that we are perfectly satisfied that they have a good claim to their rights in Kansas, as we have examined the matter, and are sure that a Treaty once made must stand good in their case as well as in that of others. This is all we have to say at the present time. We wish to receive an answer to these communications just as soon as possible.

We have often sent letters to the President, but we have not received answers to them, we earnestly wish that we be answered in regard to this matte as soon as convenient to the President.

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Cornelius Mills

Joseph D. Brewster

Ezekiel Mennards

Jacob Cornsling

John Cornsling

John Bowles

Richard ^{the} Mennards

John ^{the} Mennards

Henry ^{the} Mennards

Madison ^{the} Mennards