

The Cheyennes and Arapahoes attempted to move upon and occupy said lands, but were prevented by an order from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, as we have shown. So, if the failure to occupy, works a forfeiture in one case, it does in the other.

But there is no forfeiture in so far as the Cheyennes and Arapahoes are concerned. They own the lands, and as already stated, stand ready to enter into negotiations with the proper authorities of the United States, for the sale and relinquishment of the same.

We respectfully present the foregoing, with the request that we may be fully heard by your honorable Commission, in support of the same.

Respectfully submitted.

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