Office Supt of Indian Affairs
Fort Smith Ark. Aug. 6. 1859.

Sir

[illegible] of a letter to me from Superintendent Neighbors, you will perceive that he is by this time, at the new home of the Texas Reserve Indians, and that he expects me to be prepared to furnish them with provisions.

In the mean time I have received no instructions to that effect from your office, nor are there any funds in my hands that can be applied to that purpose. So to prevent irreparable injury I must have them temporarily fed by the present Contractor for the Wichitas, at his present contract price; but as this must be done on credit and to a greater extent than I like on my responsibility I can continue it for but a very short time. I must respectfully ask that if I am to provide for the subsistence of these Indians I may be at once put in possession of funds, and

[illegible] the necessary instructions. [illegible]
[illegible] no estimate for this service since it [illegible]
[illegible] been assigned to me. And because my
[illegible] data would be the number of the Indians,
[illegible] which I have no other information than
that furnished by the letter of Superintendent
Dieghton.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant

Hon. A. B. Greenwood,
Com. of Ind. Affairs
Washington
D.C.