

Agent C. H. Cooper,  
Sept. 15. 1856.

In regard to the claimants of the ransom  
of the Wilson boys.

Received Sept. 24. 1856.

~~John H. Wilson~~



Agency for Choctaw & Chickasaw  
Sept 15 1856

Sir: I have to state in reply to your letter dated Feby 2<sup>nd</sup> 1856. That I have no information in my possession other than that contained in my letter of Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 1856 & the paper therewith enclosed, except that a Chickasaw Indian, named Johnson, (the same who brought in the head of his brother who murdered Agt. Stein,) claims to be entitled to the ransom of one of the boys. All the parties however are anxious that the amount of the appropriation should be sent out and distributed among them according to the proof they make as to their several claims on it.

Respectfully

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U.S. Indian Agent

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