

RESOLUTION
OF THE
PAPAGO COUNCIL

RES. NO. 1151

WHEREAS, On February 2, 1961, the White Mountain Apache Tribe sent the Papago Council a copy of a Resolution the White Mountain Apache Council passed February 1, asking that the Arizona Congressional Delegation be requested to introduce a bill in Congress granting the United States Government exclusive jurisdiction of the crime of Carnal Knowledge of a female child under the age of sixteen years, or as it is more commonly known, Statutory Rape, when such a crime is committed on and within the Indian Country, and

WHEREAS, The reason this request has been made is that although in the past the U. S. Government has assumed exclusive jurisdiction of this crime, it has been recently ruled by the Court of Appeals that the U. S. does not have jurisdiction inasmuch as statutory rape was not included as one of the crimes under Title 18, Section 1153, U. S. Code, and whereas it is such a serious crime that it ought to be under U. S. jurisdiction.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED By The Papago Tribal Council that it also ask the Arizona Congressional Delegation to introduce a bill in Congress granting the U. S. government exclusive jurisdiction of the crime of Carnal Knowledge of a female child under the age of 16 years, when such a crime is committed on and within the Indian Country.

The foregoing resolution was duly enacted by the Papago Council on March 3, 1961, with a vote of 18 for, and 0 against, during a meeting at which a quorum was present, pursuant to authority vested in the Council by Section 2 (h) of Article V of the Constitution of the Papago Tribe, ratified by the Tribe on December 12, 1936, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on January 6, 1937, pursuant to Section 16 of the act of June 18, 1934 (Stat. 984). Said Resolution is effective as of the date of its approval by the Superintendent of the Papago Agency and is subject to the rescission by the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to Section 6 of Article V of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Papago Tribe.

THE PAPAGO COUNCIL

BY: Enos J. Francisco
Enos J. Francisco, Chairman

ATTEST:

Raymond P. Vavages
Raymond P. Vavages, Secretary

Harry W. Gilmore
Harry W. Gilmore, Superintendent

APPROVED: _____