

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
PAPAGO COUNCIL

RES. No. 1169

WHEREAS, The Papago Village of Sil Murk is in the flood zone of the Painted Rocks Reservoir and cannot be relocated on Reservation land because all available sites are below the flood level of the Reservoir, and

WHEREAS, A question has been raised how the 40 acres will be acquired which will be needed to relocate the village, and

WHEREAS, The Council understands that the U. S. Corps of Engineers, which promised the Villagers and the Tribe it would relocate the village, were planning to buy 40 acres from the Gila Ranch, which recently gave the Tribe quit claim deeds for the land on which the present village had been located for many years, and

WHEREAS, The Papago Tribal Council and the Sil Murk villagers want to keep the cost of relocation to a minimum, and

WHEREAS, It is the understanding of the Council that Gila River Ranch has indicated there will be no difficulty in exchanging 40 acres of the deeded land for 40 acres of private land on which the village can be relocated.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY The Papago Tribal Council that it go on record as offering to exchange 40 acres of the land deeded to it, for 40 acres on which to relocate the village of Sil Murk, so that there will be no cost to the government in acquiring the land.

The foregoing Resolution was duly enacted by the Papago Council on June 2, 1961, with a vote of 20 for and 0 against and 1 not voting, during a meeting at which a quorum was present, pursuant to authority vested in the Council by Section 3 (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 of 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

Claudina R. Chavez  
Claudina R. Chavez, Secretary

Harry W. Gilmore, Superintendent

Approved

*Sil Murk Village Relocation*