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*"When the people fear the government, that's tyranny.
When the government fears the people, that's liberty."*

Thomas Jefferson

Met with Frank Lucas

I attended the Townhall meeting held by U.S. Congressman, Frank Lucas, in Skiatook this morning at 9:00 a.m. Congressman Lucas is the Sponsor of H.R. 2912, the bill that became P.L. 108-431. This is the act that made it possible for an additional form of government to be created known as the Osage Nation Government.

I believe my time and effort was well spent with regard to seeking relief from our current circumstances. I was able to make it clear to Congressman Lucas that it wasn't so much his bill that has caused the many problems within the government and among the constituents but it is the implementation of the law according to its intent.

I was able to provide examples of instances where Federal Laws have been broken due to the erroneous implementation and inability to interpret this particular law. I reminded Mr. Lucas that the Senate Report on H.R. 2912 stated without a doubt on September 15, 2004 that in compliance with subsection 12 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee finds that the enactment of H.R. 2912 will not effect any changes in existing law. (Existing Law being the 1906 Act.)

It was after pointing out that the 1906 Act had not been changed but clarified in H.R. 2912 that the BIA refuses to assist in the Minerals Council Election because it is their

view that the CFR's are no longer applicable due to the passage of H.R. 2912. I further pointed out to Mr. Lucas that the Chief and Assistant Chief were elected by non-shareholders which is a direct violation of the 1906 Act, therefore illegal.

I hand delivered a copy of the letter from the BIA declining to assist in the Minerals Election dated February 12, 2010. I also provided Congressman Lucas with other very pertinent information and documents that made my statements relevant and credible. Congressman Lucas seemed very interested in the fact that the BIA believes that the CFR's are no longer applicable. He suggested that we stay in contact.

I also had an opportunity to speak with a representative from Washington D.C. who seemed equally, if not more interested in the BIA's view of the CFR's.

Congressman Lucas asked me if I believed we as a tribe were still in need of the BIA to help us conduct our affairs and I said: "Evidently."

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