

against them, or either of them, that shall come to their knowledge; and do all in their power to hinder and prevent the same, that the friendship between them may be uninterrupted.

Richard Peters, ed., *The Public Statutes at Large of the United States of America*, vol. 7 (Boston, MA: Little, James Brown, 1846), 52–53.

PRACTICING Historical Thinking

Identify: Paraphrase the main provisions of the Treaty of Greenville.

Analyze: How does this treaty represent a change in relations between Native Americans and the United States government?

Evaluate: Was this treaty advantageous to the Shawnee and Lenape? Why or why not?

DOCUMENT 6.7 Pinckney's Treaty, Article IV

1795

Pinckney's Treaty, named after its chief negotiator and the US ambassador to Great Britain, Thomas Pinckney, established the right of the United States to navigate the Mississippi River, an important transportation source for farmers in the Northwest Territories. The treaty was negotiated between the United States and Spain.

It is . . . agreed that the western boundary of the United States which separates them from the Spanish colony of Louisiana, is in the middle of the channel or bed of the river Mississippi, from the northern boundary of the said states to the completion of the thirty-first degree of latitude north of the equator. And his Catholic Majesty has likewise agreed that the navigation of the said river, in its whole breadth from its source to the ocean, shall be free only to his subjects and the citizens of the United States, unless he should extend this privilege to the subjects of other powers by special convention.

Richard Peters, ed., *The Public Statutes at Large of the United States of America*, vol. 8 (Boston, MA: Little, Brown, 1867), 140.

PRACTICING Historical Thinking

Identify: What was the western boundary of the United States in 1795?

Analyze: How did this boundary provide significant geographic and economic power to United States citizens?

Evaluate: How does Pinckney's letter signal a shift in the United States' international relations with both Great Britain and Spain?