

Augusta Conference ^[1]

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In response to orders from King George III ^[2], the leaders of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia met with representatives of the southern Indians (Creek, Cherokee ^[3], Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Catawba ^[4]) at Augusta, Ga., on 5 Nov. 1763. Present were 25 Indian chiefs and 700 warriors, 3 colonial governors, the lieutenant governor of Virginia, and John Stuart ^[5], the superintendent of Indian affairs in the Southern District. After six days of oratory, eating, drinking, and distributing presents from the king, the group signed a "Treaty of Perfect and Perpetual Peace and Friendship." The document provided for the mutual forgiveness of all past offenses and injuries; the establishment of satisfactory trade relations; the punishment, by each party, of offenders of its own race for crimes against members of the other race; and the fixing of boundaries of a reservation of about 15 square miles for the Catawba Indians ^[4].

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