The auditor will audit this amt in favor of the Paymaster as formerly

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Secy of War

Jan 30th 1838

His Excellency

Sam Houston,

from the Ordinance and decree of the General Council and latter part of the fourth Section says. "but if said Claim should amount to a larger sum that four Thousand dollars it shall be refered to the Governor or General Council and if approved by Either or both of them said Claim shall be returned to said auditor signed and Countersigned and approved in the same manner as aforesaid and disposed of in the same manner and form as aforesaid by the said Auditor and Comptroller." Viz. the draft shall be issued by the auditor & Approved and Counter Signed by the Comptroller I Consider that I am Estoped from issuing any draft above the amount of four Thousand dollars unless Jurisdiction be given

all of which is Respectfully Submitted

~~The Hon. Henry Smith~~
~~Secretary of the Treasury~~

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