CER: Claim, Evidence, Reasoning

| How did the Reconstruction Treaties of 1866 affect tribal sovereignty? | | |
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| Claim  *The Reconstruction Treaties of 1866 threatened the sovereignty of the Five Tribes.* | **Evidence (treaty terms)**  *The Reconstruction Treaties of 1866 required the Five Tribes to send delegates to an intertribal council headed by the U.S. Superintendent of Indian Affairs.* | Reasoning (how the treaty terms support the claim)  *The creation of an intertribal council was an infringement on tribal sovereignty because a united territorial government headed by a U.S. government official took power and autonomy away from the individual tribes. The individual tribal governments were no longer the highest authorities for the tribes. Tribes would now ultimately have to answer to the intertribal council and the U.S. government.* |