IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. E C 6963

NETTLETON LINE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT: DOUGLAS BEAN, Superintendent; BEN G. COGGIN, JR., FRANK CULVER, R. G. BERRYHILL, FELIX COGGIN, and TOMMY LEE RILEY, Members of the Board of Trustees of the Nettleton Line Consolidated School District;

CONSENT DECREE

The United States, plaintiff herein, and the defendants, by their respective attorneys, having met and agreed to the existence of certain facts alleged in the Complaint filed by the United States and having consented to the issuance of a permanent injunction by this Court, it is therefore

ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the . defendants, their successors in office, agents, employees, and all persons in active concert or participation with them be, and they are, hereby

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permanently enjoined from taking any actions inconsistent with the desegregation agreements dated April 1, 1966 and September 27, 1968 and succeeding agreements entered into by defendants with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, to wit:

1. Failing or refusing to assign all students of the Nettleton Line Consolidated School District in grades four (4) through twelve (12) to the formerly predominantly white attendance center known as Nettleton Line Consolidated School, and all students in grades one (1) through three (3) to the formerly Negro attendance center known as Sims High School;

2. Failing or refusing to hire, assign, promote, pay, demote, dismiss, or otherwise treat faculty and other staff members and employees without regard to race, color, or national origin, except to the extent necessary to correct past discrimination;

3. Failing or refusing, to the full extent of the defendants' ability to do so, to provide racially nondiscriminatory school bus transportation for students entitled to such transportation attending the Nettleton Line Consolidated School District;

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4. Failing or refusing to conduct all other activities sponsored by the Nettleton Line Consolidated School District on a racially nondiscriminatory basis;

5. Taking any other action inconsistent with the Assurance of Compliance executed by the defendants;

Furthermore, defendants shall provide to the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare on February 1, 1970, and each successive October 1 thereafter, the following information:

> The number of students, by race and grade, in attendance at each of the schools in the Nettleton Line Consolidated School District;
> The name, race, position and school assignment of each member of the faculty and staff employed by the Nettleton Line Consolidated School

District;

3. The number of students, by race, on each school bus transporting students attending schools in the Nettleton . Line Consolidated School District;

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4. Any other information requested by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare necessary to demonstrate compliance with the Assurance of Compliance executed by defendants.

This Court shall maintain jurisdiction of this suit.

Consented To:

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This the 8th day of De Couler , 1969,

Clarkadale, Mississippi.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE