Broken Promises

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A treaty, in the minds of our people, is an eternal word.
Events often make it seem expedient to depart from the pledged
word, but we are conscious that the first departure creates a
logic for the second departure, until there is nothing left of the word.

---Declaration of Indian Purpose (1961) American Indian Chicago Conference

