

Fleet takes place in consequence of the Peace

Samuel

The Honble James Munroe

Signed A. Cockburn

Secretary of State

of the United States

Command. of St. Mary's

Georgia. 8<sup>th</sup> March 1816

Sir

I this morning had the honor to receive your letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> Ult. which came under cover to Rear Admiral Cockburn and I shall forward the Packets that accompany to their different destinations. I beg leave to congratulate you on the termination of hostilities between two Countries whose interest it is to remain for ever at peace, and I trust the animosities created by the war will soon subside.

I enclose for your information the copy of a letter I have been obliged to write to Mr. Munroe calling upon him to substantiate his charge of the Negroes that have been taken on the coast of America, having been sold in the West Indian Slaves, as an official notice of this has been given me from the Admiralty. I beg you will urge an immediate reply and a copy of his proofs, that the investigation may be proceeded upon before the separation of the Fleet takes place. I arrived here this morning from Havana having left Rear Admiral Chalcohn in the Command of the Army, where he will immediately embark the Army. I have directed him to enjoin the Indian Nations to cease from all hostilities to the United States, informing them that they are to be treated in all the professions they held in 1811. I beg leave therefore to recommend your urging the Government of the United States to issue instructions accordingly. It is my intention to proceed to Savannah to arrange the future destination of the Fleet and Army leaving Admiral Cockburn here to embark the troops

Samuel

Signed A. Cockburn

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