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H. M. H. Ship. Station in the
Chasapeake the 8th Dec 1811

Sir

I have had the honor to receive a
letter from you under date of 21 October last
addressed to the English Admiral
commanding on this station, stating that
His Excellency the Minister Plenipotentiary
of His Most Christian Majesty residing in
America had informed you of His
Excellency having some Dispatches to send
to his Government and some French Subjects
to send to France, and there not being any
French Vessels at the Port in America
fit for the purpose requesting I would furnish
you with a Passport for an American vessel
to proceed to France therewith.

As a compliance with this
request would be deviating considerably
from the Orders and Regulations established
respecting the Blockade of the American
Ports, and as from the tenor of the Application
it does not appear to me that His Excellency
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