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I may, without delay make my arrangements, without which I will not be responsible for the consequences that may result from the absence of the Force I may find necessary to assemble, and the failure of the expedition to be undertaken upon the arrival of the Troops shall not rest with me.

From what I already perceive I shall find it a most difficult task to prepare the Naval part of the Expedition, the Ships being so much scattered Vessels must be sent in all directions to collect or relieve those particularly wanted: even the Ships now going with Convoy to the West Indies ought to be put under my Orders, without which my ultimate arrangements as far as respect them cannot be carried into effect. The Orpheus, particularly, I have to charge with a special mission of the utmost importance to our Indian Allies on the Southern States which would render it necessary for her being attended with one of the Armed Vessels.

I have the honor to be &c
(Signed) A. Cochrane
Vice Admiral

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