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Sir,

As the Prize Act does not admit of Prize proceeds from conjoint Expeditions being distributed without the sanction of the Crown and as many such Expeditions may be expected to take place, formed of various portions of the Army and Navy employed on the Coast of America, the several Claims of which might cause endless confusion and disappointment, I beg leave to request that the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty will move His Royal Highness the Prince Regent that

John Wilson Croker Esq.

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