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War Department, London,
6th September 1814.—

Sir,

It appears by Dispatches which have been received from Vice Admiral Sir Alexr. Cochrane that he considered it advisable to direct His Majesty's Arms against the Southern Extremity of the United States, & that by supporting the Indian Tribes situated on the Confines of Florida, & in the back parts of Georgia, it would be easy to reduce New Orleans, & to distress the Enemy very seriously in the Neighbouring Provinces.— The Vice Admiral appears to have considered a Body of 2000 Troops (exclusive of the Marines, & the Naval forces he had already at his disposal) to be requisite for

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