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for war and Colonies.

On the Point however of the ranks of Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel which you state that you propose conferring on Major Nicholls of the Marines, my Lords command me to remind you that they have not themselves the power of conferring, and still less of authorizing you to confer any Military rank, and they desire that this part of your intentions with regard to Major Nicholls be abandoned, or, if already done, recalled.

I am commanded to conclude by acquainting you that in the event of your being engaged in any enterprize against the Enemy inconsistent with the pursuance of your plans against Louisiana, and which you may think

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