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Mr. Stewart [redacted] to Philadelphia to take a Draft of the Gondolas, we expect to contract with him for building them at that place and [redacted] for our provincial service. The difference of [redacted] in our Bay and from that in Delaware will be apparently occasion some alteration in the building and [redacted] rigging our Gondolas from those of Pennsylvania. We wish to have your sentiments on this [redacted] after conferring with Mr. Stewart.

All is quiet at Annapolis, the Governor Boat is just returned from [redacted] with Secretary Smith, and brings a Letter from Commodore Hammond of the Arabach to the Governor which has not been seen, he is to be sent for shortly. The Letter is dated at Guinea Island, near Point Lookout between the Rivers of Potomack & Patuxent, which we hear to be inhabited by the Letter informs they came there to compel their Wood & Water, private Intelligence says the Island is of some Value, extent and has Stock of Cattle Sheep &c. thereon; and that they are entering upon Intrenchments to defend themselves against the Militia. — how long they will remain there is uncertain, the Island will probably be plundered next, and they will move to conjecture up the River Potomack, or our Bay. — We shall be endeavoring to have our Military Stores particularly Cannon & Small Arms at the Congress for fitting out the Boats and Shallops — inclosed we send you Copy of the particulars, and wish you would apply when there is probability of succeeding. —

Mr. Smith informs that a Vessel under Spanish Colours was lately taken in Delaware Bay with three Dollars on board the Bags that contained them are marked W.M. from whence the

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