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I was this day honored with your favor of the 3d instant. I very sensibly feel not only for the danger to which the States immediately invaded are exposed, but for the general bad consequences which may ensue, if the enemy are permitted, at this time, to gain and hold possession of a part of our Country, and I have been endeavouring to concert such plans with our Allies, as I hope will eventually frustrate the projects which the enemy seem to have in view. Nothing but an adherence to regular plans and Systems can ultimately be attended with salutary effects, and I flatter myself the issue of those now in contemplation will justify the observation.

ARCHIVES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

I have desired the Executives of the States