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Sir, Baltimore Septem. 23d 1777

I am now to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's favor of the 20th, with the inclosed Letters, for which I thank you —

A French Ship I am now loading with Tobacco, has occasion for a few guns, and as Six pounders are not to be got, the Capt. proposes purchasing four or six Nine pounders. If you have any such for sale, I'll be obliged, if you'll let me know the terms, & where they may be seen, that he may send a person to examine them

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I am your Excellcy's
Most hble Servt
H. Smith

His Ex. Thomas Johnson