favour of its passage, but that it will receive an early decision is to me very important as the Effect of the Question in the House of Representatives will be found in the other Branch of the Legislature as well as out of Doors – I believe it will be received the decision of all important Business, as long as the Question shall be undecided – I now only Compliment to your family and accept the affectionate Regard of

Philadelphia
April 19th
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Yours Sincerely
Richd Peters

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Dear Sir

I wrote to you last Monday and in a little time found it understood that there was a decided majority in the House of Representatives who would refuse their concurrence in any Law for appropriation for executing the British Treaty – The Discussion of that Subject commenced on Wednesday and continued to the end of the week, it will be resumed to day, and to what Length it may be extended, I will depend entirely on the opinions of the Speakers as to the effect of the discussion on the public Mind and of the House – no attempt of conciliation is expected to be made in the House by the weight of Argument; politicians talk of influence, but that that which the people at large may take Merchants have say that the effect of the opinions of the Majority of the House of Representatives hath been unfavourable already – Genuine Alarm

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