The Undersigned, His Britannick Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires, has the honour to communicate to His Excellency, The Visconde de Inhambupé, Councillor of State, Minister, and Secretary of State for the Department of Foreign Affairs, that His Majesty has been advised not to ratify the Commercial Treaty, and the Treaty for the ultimate Abolition and immediate Regulation of the Slave Trade, signed in this City on the 18th of October last.

The premature Publication of these Instruments in the Diario Fluminense, (a Gazette known to issue from the Department of which His Excellency The Minister for Foreign Affairs is the Head,) has created much surprize and concern to the British Government, which has felt itself, therefore, called upon to make

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known officially through His Majesty's Missions at Foreign Courts, that His Majesty has been advised not to ratify these Treaties in their present shape, nor without important alterations.

The Undersigned, having thus obeyed the Commands of his Government, requests His Excellency The Visconde de Inhambupe to accept the Assurances of his perfect Respect and Consideration.

Rio de Janeiro 18th April 1826.

H Chamberlain