The Undersigned, His Britannick

Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and

Minister Plenipotentiary, has read

with astonishment in several of

the Publick Journals, the Copy

of a Despatch addressed by

His Excellency the Marquis of

Aveleyr, Counsellor, Minister

to

His Excellency

the

Marquis of Aveleyr

&c. &c. &c.

and

and Secretary of State for Foreign

Affairs, to the Chambers of Deputies

on the subject of the Slave Trade

abolition Convention. —

In this Despatch words

are attributed to the British

Plenipotentiary which he never

used, and which tend to

place the Negotiation of

that

that Convention in a false

point of view.—

The Undersigned considers

that it is due to the Sovereign

whom He has the honor to

represent, as well as to his own

character, to call upon His

Excellency the Marquis of

Lucchesini for an explanation

of

of the above fact, requiring of

His Excellency at the same time,

to undeceive the Chamber of

Deputies as to the conduct of

Great Britain upon this

Question. —

the agreement between

the British and Brazilian

Plenipotentiaries

Plenipotentiaries has been erroneously

attributed to the Menaces of the

former.— It must be look'd

known to the Brazilian Govern=

=ment, that the abolition of the

Trade in Slaves was asked

for and granted, not so much

as

as a concession to Great Britain,

as it was called for by humanity

and for the advantage and

honor of Brazil.— If it was

wished to conceal this fact from

the Chamber of Deputies, it was

surely not necessary to attribute

the

the use of ungenerous terms to

the British Government.—

The Arguments used by

the British Plenipotentiary are

recorded in the Protocols of the

Conferences, and in his Notes to

the Brazilian Plenipotentiaries,

which are doubtless in the

possession

possession of His Excellency the

Marquis of Queluy.—

That His Excellency has not

confined himself to their contents

in quoting the language of the

British Plenipotentiary, is not

only a matter of surprise to the

Undersigned, but one which

will

Will oblige him, unless a

satisfactory explanation is

previously granted, to call for

the publication of the Protocols

in justification of the conduct of

his Government.—

The Undersigned avails

himself

himself of this opportunity to

renew to His Excellency the

Marquis of Lucchesi the assurances

of his esteem and high consideration.

Gordon

Rio de Janeiro

July 13 - 1827.