18 de Dez. 1824

The Undersigned

His Britannick Majesty's

Envoy Extraordinary and

Minister Plenipotentiary

has the honor to transmit

to His Excellency the Marquis

of Aracaty the Copy of a

report which he has

received from Gibraltar,

being in explanation of

an occurrence which took

place there respecting the

Brazilian Flag, & which

His Excellency

The Marquis of Aracaty caused

&c. &c. &c.

caused the representation
of the Marquis of Inhambane
to this Mission in the Month
of January last. —

The Undersigned
is persuaded that His Excellency
the Marquis of Aracaty will
be convinced on perusal
of the above report that
no disrespect was intentio=
nally offered to the flag
of His Imperial Majesty
on the occasion in question
but that the flag was
ordered

ordered to be lowered merely in observance of the ordinary regulations of a fortified place. —

The Undersigned avails himself of this opportunity to renew to His Excellency the Marquis of Aracaty the assurances of his esteem and high consideration. —

Rio de Janeiro December 18th 1827. —

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Gibraltar 19 May 1827.

Statement relative to a Brazilian Flag, which was hoisted on the roof of a new house belonging to Mr Bonnell in Waterport St. on the 4th Augt. 1826.

Mr. Euibara states, that on the 4th Augt. last, Mr. Lefer, the late Spanish Consul, called on the Lieut Major to complain that a Constitutional Flag had been hoisted on the roof of a building belonging to Mr Bonnell in Waterport Street, adding at the same time that it had been hoisted on purpose to call the attention of the disaffected Spaniards in this Garrison, and that it would give great alarm to the Spanish Govt.

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— The Town Major observed to Mr Leper that it could not be a Constitutional Flag, but some other, and sent for Mr. Bonnell who stated that it being the custom to hoist a flag on the top of a new roof, the Portuguese employed in the building, had hoisted the Brazilian together with the British Flag — the town Major then observed to Mr. Bonnell, that, to avoid misrepresentations, and as this was a Garrison Town belonging to G.r Britain, he had better have the English Flag only. Mr. Ewbank, a British Merchant, was the person who lent this Flag at the request of

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the Portuguese workmen. The following day he called upon the Town Major, & stated that he had been informed, that the Flag in question had been lowered by his order. The Town Major replied, that without any disrespect either to the Brazilian or any other flag, and to avoid misrepresentations, and as this was a Garrison Town belonging to G. Britain, he had mentioned to Mr. Bonnell on whose house the flag was, that in preference to any other he had better have the English Flag only. - Mr Ewbank replied, that notwithstanding the Town Major's explanation, he would make a representation on the subject.

(Signed) J. L. Guibara
Sub-director of Police.

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Statement, relative to the hoisting of a Brazilian Flag on the roof of a new House at Gibraltar.