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The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires
of the United States has the honor to address
His Exc.y the Marquess of Aracaty, Councillor
Minister, and Secretary of State for Foreign
Affairs to request that certain American
seamen, detained as prisoners of war in
Fort Ste Cruz may be delivered over to the
Commander of the U.S. Ship Boston whose
Commander is ready to receive them and
carry them home. There are twenty of
these whose names are the following:
Samuel Beale = Samuel Anderson =
John Dixon = John Reed = William Lloyd =
George Brown = John Wentworth = Henry
Williams = George Green = Thomas Halfpenny =
Robert Harding = Charles Allen = William
Thomas = Charles Higgins = John White =
Francis Rogers = Samuel Brown = Robert
Guild = John Stewart = George Franklin =

The Commander of the Boston will
either send for these individuals, or receive
them on board, if sent from the fort as may
be preferred.

The case of these men was mentioned to Your Excy. (tho' more generally) at the period when the preliminaries were signed, in the hope that they might then have been liberated, and sent home in the Macedonian as peace has now been formally declared, and the captives of war set at liberty, the undersigned hopes that these unfortunate seamen, either seduced by others, or obliged by the necessity of their situation to enter a foreign service may be restored to their country.

The undersigned avails himself of the occasion to offer to His Excy the Marquess of Rancala the assurances of his very high consideration & respect.

W. Tudor.

Legation of the U.S. &c.

November 2d. 1828.