Rio de Janeiro 3rd October 1824 = Sir = I am this moment returned from on board H. M. Ship Spartiate, and hasten to acquaint your Excellency, that I have communicated to the Commander in Chief, Rear Admiral Sir George Eyre, the demand for the delivery of the person of Manoel de Carvalho Paes de Andrade, supposed to be on board the Swed Frigate, and in fact the whole Contents of Your Excellency's Note dated yesterday.

Sir George Eyre has desired me to assure Your Excellency that the Individual claimed is not on board the Swed, having left that Ship off Pernambuco and proceeded to Europe in His Majesty's Ship Brazen, which touched there on her passage from Lima to Portsmouth, and sailed in continuation of her Voyage before the Swed left Pernambuco for this Port.

The Rear Admiral has also requested me to state that he intends entering into an explanation of some circumstances connected with this case, with which he thinks Your Excellency is possibly unacquainted, and which he trusts will materially alter the complexion that has been given to it. Your Excellency may depend on receiving this explanation as soon as possible after it reaches me.

In the mean time I beg leave to add that Manoel de Carvalho Paes de Andrade did not repair on board of H. Majesty's ship Swed, to seek

refuge as a fugitive; but to negociate with the First Admiral of the Brazilian Navy, who had sent him proposals to that effect. And that His Excellency being absent, negociations were actually begun between Carvalho, whilst on board His Majesty's Ship Brazen, and the Commanding Officer of the Brazilian Blockading Squadron; who hoisted a flag of Truce, which was kept flying many hours, in token of a temporary armistice having been agreed to.

It is most gratifying to me to be able to repeat to your Excellency the assurance, so many times given on the part of the British Government, that it is their sincere desire to observe most scrupulously the stipulations of the existing Treaty of Commerce; and that they will not countenance any act of His Majesty's subject which by offending the Law of Nations, or the Rights of this Government grounded upon that Law, may injure, or in any way weaken, the good understanding and friendly Relations so happily existing between Great Britain and Brazil.

I beg Your Excellency to accept one more the repetition of the sentiments of high Respect and consideration with which I have the honour to be = Sir = Your Excellency's most obedient humble Servant = H. Chamberlain = Consul General.

Luis Moutinho Lima Alvares e Silva