Most Excellent Sir,

Your Excellency's dispatch of the 3rd inst. I have had the honour to receive, and shall embrace the earliest opportunity to communicate its contents to Commodore Biddle, the Commanding Officer of the United States' Naval Forces on this Station.-

It affords me much pleasure at the same time to say to Your Excellency that your communication has been fully anticipated by Commodore Biddle's own feelings of propriety, he having at all times refused to receive Specie, on board his Vessel, unless Cleared at the Custom-House in accordance with the Laws of the Country.-

I avail of this occasion to renew to Your Excellency the expression of my high regard and distinguished consideration.-

Consulate U. S. A.
Rio de Janeiro, Dec.r 5th 1827

H. H. Talbot.

To His Excellency
The Marquis of Aracaty
Counsellor, Minister
And Secretary of State
For Foreign Affairs
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