1775 Oct. 28 Gillon, Alexander, Charleston, S. C. To [Council of Safety].

XIII.1

Gives directions for trading in tobacco, powder, and arms with Holland; vessels must not draw over 14 feet; invoice and bills of lading should be made out "as if from St. Crus [Santa Cruz] or St. Eustatius, [W. I.], bound to Hambro [Hamburg, Ger.?]"; Isaac Hubert and Van Rykevorsel [?] will handle this trade in Rotterdam; Nicholas and Jacob Van Staphorst desire Amsterdam trade; Gillon has an office in Charleston.

A.L.S. 1 p.

Printed in Arch. of Md., XI, 88-89.

1784 Dec. 27 P. I. VAN BEREKEL [Minister of the United Netherlands], Philadelphia. To the

Governor of Maryland [William PACA].

Berekel has been questioned by N. and J. Van Staphorst, merchants of Amsterdam, regarding contract between them and Mr. Ridley, agent of Maryland; by its terms Maryland engaged itself to deliver annually 4,000 hogsheads of tobacco; this part of the contract has not been carried out; no attention has been paid to repeated remonstrances; Van Berekel asks to know the reasons that have influenced Maryland not to fulfil the contract in order that he may try to settle all difficulties to the satisfaction of both parties. L. Duplicate. Unsigned. 3 pp. 32cm, x 20.5cm

On verso: translation; answer in Intendant's Letter Book, p. 175.

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1785 Aug. 22 Van Berckel, P[eter] J[ohn], New York. To Gov. [William Paca].

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Refers to Gov. Paca's letter of March 31, 1784 about the General Assembly's action on the Van Staphorst-Ridley business transaction; negotiations should have taken place in summer of 1785; the secret orders of [Mathew] Ridley were unknown; he is to blame; the contract with [Nicholas and Jacob] Van Staphorst should be considered valid.

In French.

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1787 June 19

Chase, Samuel, Baltimore To William Smallwood, Annapolis. Will send copies of his instructions to Forrest for compromise of bank stock issue and will see to it that State receives the amount "limited" [stipulated]; he is informed that "Indents" can be purchased at "% in the pound"; if 11,000 cash could be obtained it would discharge our proportion of the interest of Congress' domestic debt; if 200 or more hogsheads of tobacco are not sent to Messrs. Vanstaphorst they will not accept our offer of consolidating our debt and damages and paying interest thereon.

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1792 May 7 Richmond, C[hristopher], Philadelphia. To Gov. [Thomas Sim Lee] and Council.

Congress has just passed a bill extending the time "for receiving subscriptions of Certificates agreeably to the principles of the late funding Act"; it will be of material interest to Maryland "to have the Eight hundred thousand dollars heretofore assumed completely subscribed"; suggests that "all the Certificates or Evidences of debts now in the Treasury which in the hands of Individuals would have been subscribable be immediately loaned for and on account of the state"; while the above bill was in committee [John] Wright suggested to the Maryland Representatives "a clause which would provide for the certificates now issueing under the resolution of the last Assembly and include the claim of Messrs. [Nicholas and Jacob] Vanstaphorst against the State"; an amendment to that effect passed the committee of the whole, "but by an unaccountable negligence in the Chairman of the Committee this amendment was not reported to the House," and the bill passed without it.

A.L.S. 2 pp.

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