

Sir Excellency
Governor of the State
of Maryland
in Annapolis

and
vice
Admiral

March the 7th 1781

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Sir

This letter will be delivered to your Excellency
By Count de St. véné and Count de Dillon
Marshals and Messieurs de St. victor Captain
in the french Army whom I Beg leave to
introduce to your Excellency's acquaintance

They intend to embark on Board the
Small Fleet that carries our detachments - But
I have desired them, and I Request your
Excellency to hold up the idea that the french
Fleet having left the Bay I am ordered immediately

To join general Greene's army - I think it should
be well to make some preparations on the Road
from Annapolis for the Reception of Troops

With the highest Respect have
The Honor to be
Your Obedient

Most Obedient Humble
Servant
Lafayette

9th March 1754

Interdum in the
St. J. Mairie
Col. Dillon &
Lt. J. Victor