

Lib. C. B. Ladings of Plantation Goods in this Kingdom pursuant to  
 No. 20 their Securities; And Whereas the better to prevent any of the  
 aforesaid Certificates from being Counterfeited, the Commis-  
 sioners of our Customs have thought fit to Sign the same, It is  
 therefore Our Will and Pleasure, that no such Certificates be  
 allowed of unless the same be under the Hands and Seals of  
 the Customer, Comptroller and Collector of the Customs in  
 p. 53 some Port in this Kingdom, or two of them, as also under the  
 Hands of four of Our Commissioners of the Customs at  
 London, or three of Our Commissioners of the Customs at  
 Edinburgh; and where there shall be reasonable ground of  
 Suspicion, that the Certificate of having given Security in this  
 Kingdom is false and Counterfeit, in such Case he or the  
 Person or Persons appointed under him shall require and take  
 Sufficient Security for the discharge of the Plantation Lad-  
 ing in this Kingdom: And where there shall be Cause to Sus-  
 pect, that the Certificate of having discharged the Lading of  
 Plantation Goods in this Kingdom is false and Counterfeit,  
 he shall not Cancel or Vacate the Security given in the Plan-  
 tations until he shall be informed from the Commissioners of  
 Our Customs, in Great Britain that the matter of the said  
 Certificate is true; and if any Person or Persons shall Counter-  
 feit, Raze, or Falsify any such Certificate for any Vessel or  
 Goods, or shall knowingly or wittingly make use thereof, he  
 shall Prosecute such Person for the Forfeiture of the Sum of  
 Five hundred Pounds, according to a Clause of the aforesaid  
 Act for preventing Frauds and regulating Abuses in the Plan-  
 tation Trade, and pursuant to the said Act, he shall take care  
 that in all such Bonds to be hereafter given or taken in Our  
 said Province of Maryland, the Sureties therein named be  
 Persons of known Residence and Ability there for the Value  
 mentioned in the said Bonds, And that the Conditions of the  
 said Bonds be within Eighteen Months after the Date thereof  
 (the Danger of the Sea excepted) to produce a Certificate of  
 having Landed and discharged the Goods therein mentioned  
 in One of Our Plantations, or in this Kingdom, otherwise to  
 Attest the Copy of such Bonds under his Hand and Seal and  
 to Cause Prosecution thereof; and it is Our further Will and  
 Pleasure that he do give directions to the Naval Officer or  
 Officers not to Admit any Person to be Security for another,  
 who has Bonds standing out and undischarged, unless he be  
 esteemed responsible for more than the Value of such Bonds.

7. And the said Robert Eden is also to give directions to the  
 said Naval Officer or Officers to Advise with the Collector  
 of the Port or District in taking Bonds and not to Admit any  
 Person to be Security on any Plantation Bond, until approved