

that similar representations may be made in cases  
in which it will be more doubtful whether our  
rights of Jurisdiction shall have been infringed  
- Your Excellency will therefore I hope excuse  
me if I request to be favoured with your ideas  
of the distance within which hostilities are  
held to be unlawful; for while this point  
remains unsettled I may expect complaints  
upon every case that has the smallest chance  
of procuring the interference of Government,  
and shall in consequence be exposed to great  
embarrassments - I have the honour to

His Excellency

The President of the  
United States -

The S. L. E.

Sir Amapolis October 15<sup>th</sup> 1793

107. I have the honour to acknowledge the  
receipt of your two letters dated the 13<sup>th</sup> Instant  
and of the deposition of the Pilot Dashiels accom-  
panying one of them - I have received no instructions  
from the Executive power of the United States on  
the subject of the french Privateer Industry, and

therefore