

prevent your disapproving the alledged illegality
of her capture if it is in your power; al-
-though I do not know that she is now
within the reach of any decision that may
be given. I enclose for your satisfaction an
extract of a letter received from the Secretary
of War which will show you the ground
on which my requisition respecting these
two vessels have been founded.

It is proper that I should ac-
-knowledge the receipt of the letter in which
you intimate, that hostile designs are enter-
-tained by one of the powers at war, against
this Country - to do more would exceed the
sphere of my duty - I am with due respect,

The Citizen
Moissomer
Vice-Consul of the Repub. of France

Thos. J. Lee,

Annapolis October 25. 1793

Sir,
I have the Honour of enclosing to you
1/4 a Letter lately received from Citizen Moissomer
the french Vice-Consul at Baltimore, which
it may be proper to submit to the Confederation

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