

Council Chamber May 4. 1795.

Sir

It has been reported that the French Privateer now lying opposite to the Harbor has been in some measure fitted out in Baltimore and that she is now making warlike Equipments from this port. This assertion if true is contrary to the direction of the President of the United States to preserve inviolable our neutrality. I am also Directed by the President that as often as a Fleet Squadron or other of any belligerent Nation shall clearly and unequivocally use the Rivers or other waters of Maryland as a Station in order to carry on Hostile expeditions from thence, that I shall cause to be notified to the Commander thereof that the President deems such Conduct to be contrary to the rights of our Neutrality. I shall therefore be obliged by your making strict enquiry if this Privateer is making any warlike Equipments in this Port. and altho it does not appear to me that this Privateer can be considered positively as taking a Station at present to carry on Hostile expeditions from thence - yet it may not be improper to cause to be notified to the Commander thereof the Instructions which I have received from the President of the United States on this Subject.

I am &c

John N. Stone

John Randall Esquire

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Sir

Agreeably to your recommendation on behalf of the Committee of Health we have appointed Doctor Westly Baker Health officer in the port of Baltimore with power to appoint a Deputy under him if circumstances should render it necessary. -

We enclose you an order on Daniel Delogier Esquire requiring him to pay to the order of the Committee the amount of the Tonnage duty under the Law regulating the Health establishment. -

James Calhoun Esquire

We are &c

John N. Stone