Executive Department
Velasco 24 July 1836

To the Honble
William Hardin
Sir

We have it in contemplation to remove the more core officers (prisoners) from Galveston Island - There are two objects in view - security and economy.

It has occurred to me that they could be safely committed and cheaply kept at Liberty. Will You be good enough to report to Col Sam Houston, whether You could committed organize a company say of men to act as a firm guard on the principle of military service which would exempt them for the time from any calls to the army - and also whether a suitable building or buildings, at Liberty, could be had for the accommodation of the prisoners, some 30 or more, and the guard - and also whether provisions could be procured for government rations for their subsistence -