New Orleans May 8th 1857

I was acquainted with the circumstances in which Capt T M Ellis was placed in relation to his Corps of French Volunteers raised by him in New Orleans and certify that the embarkation of said Corps was not owing to any fault of his. that the men refused to embark when the vessel was ready for sea wolfs he paid them a large advance (TX)

Samuel Ellis
Late Secy of Agency

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