

New Orleans May 8th 1837

I was acquainted with the circumstances in which Capt
J M Allen was placed in relation to his Corps of French
Volanteers 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 unless he paid them a large advance

Samuel Ellis

Late Secy of Agency

Endorsed: J.M.Allen's ^{TX} case certificate of S. Ellis.