Ordnance Department
29th May 1839

Capt James Ponsonby

Sir,

I am directed by the Hon. Secretary of War, to contract for two thousand and fifty stand of Locks percussion Gun, after the pattern of those exhibited here with they are to have that the barrels shall be two feet ten inches in length from the breech, and a bayonet of the usual length and such as are commonly used on the United States market – they are to be delivered at the same price as that sum –

Should you be disposed to enter into this contract the arms will be wanted at the shortest possible time which must be specified in your agreement and bond with the Government of Texas – also that the be inspected by you, at the cost of the Government either here or at Colonel Colt's Armory Mr Roberts by Colonel Thos S. Bryan Ordnance Agent at

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