

Hambourg 14. 8. 1796.

Sir.

I seize the opportunity of writing to M^r. A. Siller to
thank you for having intended to write to America in order of
making an appropriation to our friend and his own family. it must
be considered certainly rather as a loan than any thing else
in consequence of M^r. Motte's fortune. the idea, if put at
execution will be very serviceable, and we'll once more be
indebted to you for that generous thought.

at the same time I wish to know if you can dispose
of a sum of one hundred ~~offly~~ francs out of the
funds kept for me. Grammont. it would be for my account.
in that case I should be very much obliged to you to order
that sum to be remitted to M^r. A. Siller at Paris, who could
give you a receipt of it. it may be serviceable to the affair,
and perhaps, in the case of M^r. Grammont wanting it, you'll
retain that sum in a short time. I only take the liberty
of consulting you upon the subject.

I Agree very much that M^r. Pinney has sent
to his Excellency M^r. J. Monnier

any body to Vienna in stead of having sent the president's letter
through Mr. Starenberg. the first step would have been very
important & preferable, to require and obtain an answer, or at least
to give an opportunity of making personal exertions which should
be very usefull, by having some people interested to serve our
cause.

I remain your Most Devoted servant

A. Mason

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