

off Poros 5th September 1827

To the Government.

I had the honour of addressing you on my return from Zante since which period, sinded ever since my return from Alexandria I have been using my most anxious endeavours to procure the equipment of a dozen of brigs & as many fireships. The delays occasioned however by the want of pecuniary means have hitherto prevented the realization of my wishes & the services of this frigate have been lost to the state during the forementioned period owing to the impossibility of procuring the necessary funds without my personal presence at Syra & elsewhere. The equipment of the brigs & part of the fireships is now completes in spite of all difficulties. As I am about to proceed in the execution of some one or more of those objects, the accomplishment of which your excellence [1] intimated to me would be conducive to the public interests, & in the importance of the attainment whereof I perfectly agree with the opinion of your Ex.

I should have paid my respect to you the other day at Egina, but under existing circumstances I felt it to be my duty, not to delay one moment the endeavour to effect something useful to the interests of the state.

I think it is proper to intimate to you Exc. confidentially that everything being paid relative to the expense of the present expedition, I know of no means whereby a single vessel can be maintained during the ensuing month. It is well however to add that 10.000 dollars are still due from the islands, if that can by any means be obtained without my further losing ~~wasting~~ the services of this ship, in trying to procure them.