The state of the s The United States in Congress (Usembled-Whereas by the articles of Confederation & perpetual Union the Sole and exclusive right of making Peace is verted in the United Hates in Congress Ofsembled; and by the Twaty of alliance with his most Christian Majesty and then United States it is declared that Mether of the contracting frantice shall conclude Pleace or Fruce with Great Britain without the Coment of the other; and the ministers Plenefisterdiary of these United States in Twoope are Vefted with full frower and authority in their Behalf and in Concert with their allies to negotiate and Conclude a general Peace; Newertheless it appears that the British Court Stile Matters strell with the Vain hope of prevailing on the United Mater to agree to forme terms of ble frendance whom great Bretaingoral least to a feperate peace: and There is reason to believe that Commissioners may be sent to americ - ca to offer Ropo sitions of that nature to the United States, or that feeret Emissauces may be employed to delicate decive: In order to extinguish ile founded hopes, to purtrate Invedeous attempts and to manifest to the whole world the printing the Interstions & the fixed & Unalterable deter mination of the United States Resolved Unanimously That Congress and Tenurely desirous of an honowrable & permanant heave: That are the only means of obtaining it they will inviolat bly adhere to the Treaty of alliance with his most Christian Majesty

Obrustian Majesty and conclude neither a Jeperate peace or Truce with Great Britain: that they will prorecute the War with oligor untile by the Blefring of God on the United Come a peace that he happily accom plished, by which the free and absolute Toverignty & Indepence of these United States having been duly affered, their Rights & Interests as well as those of their alles Shall be Effectually provided for and fewered Shat Congress will not enterinto the disculsion of any overtures for pauseation, but in Consti - dence and in Concert with his most Christian Majusty-Shat to Guard against the Secret Certifiers and Machinations of the Enemy, it be & hereby is Recom-mended to the Respective States to be Vigilant and active in detecting and Leizing all British Emissavies and Spies, that they may be brought to Endign Vienishment: That it be enjoined on all officers of Departments charged with Mersons coming from the Enemy under the protection of Flags of Truce to take special fore that Such Persons do not abuse their Duviledges but be restrained from all Intercourse with the Fronting & Inhabitants which is not Newpary for transacting the Cublic bufiness on which they may be fant; and lastly it is recommended to the Leveral States that no Subjects of his bictannie

Comeing directly or Indirectly from any hart of the British Dominions be admitted into any of the United States during the War (Ordered) That the Hon ble the Minister Menipotentiary of France be fur nished with a Copy of the above act, & that Copies be hammitted to the ministers of there States at foreign Courts and that in the time it be published Thu thomson fery. By the United States in Congress affembled. October 4, 1782.
WHEREAS by the articles of confederation and persetual union, the sole and exclusive right of making peace is vessed in the United States in Congress affembled; and by the treaty of alliance between his most Christian majesty and these United States, it is demost Christian majetty and these United States, it is de-clared, that neither of the contractif g parties shall con-clude peace nor truce with Great Britain, without the consent of the other; and the ministers plenipotentia-ry of these United States in Europe, are vested with full power and authority, in their behalf, and in con-cert with their allies, to negociate and conclude a gene-ral peace; nevertheless it appears the British court still staters itself with the vam hope of prevailing on the United States to agree to some terms of dependence up-on Great Britain, at least to a separate peace; and there on Great Britain, at least to a separate peace: and there is reason believe, that commissioners may be sent to America, to offer propositions of that nature to the United States, or that secret emissaries may be employed to delude and deceive: In order to extinguish ill counded hopes, to frustrate insidious attempts and to founded hopes, to frustrate infidious attempts, and to manifest to the whole world the purity of the intenti-ons, and the fixed and unalterable determination of the United States Refolved unanimoufly, That Congress are fincerely desirous of a permanent and honourable peace: that as the only means of obtaining it, they will inviolably adhere to the treaty of alliance with his most christian as the only means of obtaining 1, they will inviolably adhere to the treaty of alliance with his most christian majefty, and conclude neither a separate peace nor truce with Great Britain; that they will prosecute the war with vigour, until by the blessing of God on the united arms, a peace shall be happily accomplished, by which, the full and absolute sovereignty and independence of these United States having been duly assured, their rights and interests as well as those of their allies, shall be effectually provided for and secured:

That Congress will not enter into the discussion of any overtures for pacification, but in confidence and in concert with his most christian majesty;

That to guard against the artistices and machinations of the enemy, it be, and hereby is recommended to the several states, to be vigilant and active in detecting and seizing all British emissaires and spies, that they may be brought to condign punishment; that it be enjoined on all officers of departments, charged with persons coming from the enemy, under the protection of stags of truce, to take special care that they do not abuse their privileges, but be restrained from all intercourse with the country and inhabitants, which is not necessary for transacting the public business on which they may be sent; and lastly it is recommended to the several sent; and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is recommended to the several sent and lastly it is several sent and sen for transacting the public bufiness on which they may be fent: and laftly it is recommended to the feveral flates, that no subjects of his Britannic majesty, coming directly or indirectly from any part of his domini-nions, be admitted into any of the United States during Ordered, That the honourable the minister plenipotentiary of France, be furnished with a copy of the a-bove act, and that copies be transmitted to the minifters of these states, at foreign courts, and that in the mean time it be published. Chathomonley

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