Department of State
Houston 3rd July 1839

Sir,

Your letter of the 25th of June to this Department has been received in answer to which I am instructed by the Secretary of State to inform you, that an order was issued bearing date the 27th May last, prohibiting all Mexican prisoners from leaving the Country and ordering that they be detained until further orders from the Executive. Consequendy this Department is not authorized at present to grant passports.

Respectfully,

[Signature: R.P. Kelley]

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To

H. Hopkins Esq.

[Signature: W. H. B. Stevenson]

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From Sec. of State to J. C. Houston
3d July 1837.

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