

#1 Enclosure to order from Admiralty Office to Admiral  
copy Berkeley. 28 March 1809.

By the Commissioner for executing the  
Office of Lord High Admiral of the  
United Kingdom of Great Britain &  
Ireland &c.

Information having been received from  
Gallicia that the loyal Inhabitants of that  
Province are in a State of Hostility with the  
French Army, and it being judged desirable  
in consequence that they should be supplied  
with arms and Ammunition, You are  
hereby required and directed to receive on board  
the Ship you command from Three to Four  
Thousand Musquets with a proportionate quantity  
of Ammunition, which are to be sent to  
Pembroke from the Tower, and when the  
same shall be received on board, You are to  
proceed with the utmost expedition to the  
Western Coast of Gallicia, where you are to  
open a Communication with the Chiefs of the  
loyal Inhabitants, and furnish them with  
arms and Ammunition, in such Proportions  
as you may judge expedient, and when  
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the whole of the arms and Ammunition  
sent on board the *Leve* shall have been  
paid, you are to return to Spithead  
for further orders, transmitting to our  
Secretary for our information an account of  
your arrival and proceedings

During your continuance on this  
Service, you are to communicate with the  
Commanders of any of His Majesty's Ships  
and Vessels that you may fall in with on  
the Coast of Galicia, for the purpose of  
availing yourself of such information as  
they may be possessed of with regard to the  
Situation of Affairs in that quarter, by your  
Guidance in the execution of the Service  
entrusted to your Care

Given under our Hands 25<sup>th</sup> March 1709

At Schoenberg 6<sup>th</sup> Apr  
Captain His Majesty's Ship  
*Leve* ——— Spithead

R Bickerton  
R Ward  
Palmerston

By Command of their Lordships  
Wm Pole

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By the Commissioners executing  
the office of Lord High Admiral  
of the United Kingdom of Great  
Britain and Ireland

Notwithstanding that part of our  
order of the 25<sup>th</sup> Inst, which directs you to  
return to Spithead after distributing the arms  
and ammunition ordered to be sent on board  
the Ship you command, you are hereby  
required and directed to remain on the  
Western Coast of Galicia, until you shall  
receive further orders, (and on your arrival  
on that Coast, you are to put yourself  
under the Command of the Hon: Vice Admiral  
Berkeley, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's  
Ships and Vessels, on the Coast of Portugal,  
and follow his orders for your further  
Proceedings

Given under our Hand 28<sup>th</sup> March 1809

R Bickerton  
Palmerston  
Wm Donnet

To  
W Schomburg Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Captain of His Majesty's Ship  
Levee

By Command of the Lord High  
Admiral