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Convention for a Suspension of Arms, and for the Evacuation of Sicily.

BY virtue of the full Powers, which we the Generals commanding in Chief the Armies making War in Sicily both by Sea and Land, have received from our Sovereigns to treat of a Suspension of Arms, and of the Evacuation of the Kingdoms of Sicily and Sardinia, we have (after several Conferences) agreed upon the following Articles.

1. There shall be a Suspension of Arms and of all Acts of Hostility between the Armies, Troops, Fleets, Squadrons, and Ships of the Powers engaged in the present War, until the entire Evacuation of the Kingdoms of Sicily and Sardinia, and the Return to Spain of the Spanish Troops which are in both the said Kingdoms, and between their Garrisons and Forces by Land and Sea, or on other Waters, within the Mediterranean or neighbouring Coasts, so that in case it shall happen by any unforeseen Accident that during the said Suspension any of the Parties shall act contrary to it, by taking any Place either by Attack, Surprize, or Intelligence, within the Limits expressed in this Treaty, or by taking Prisoners, or committing other Acts of Hostility, such Contravention shall be made good by the Party faithfully, without Delay or Difficulty, by restoring without any Embellishment what shall have been so taken, and by setting at Liberty the Prisoners without Ransom or other Expences: And to prevent all Occasions of Complaint about Ships, Merchandize, and o-

ther Effects, that might be taken at Sea, it is mutually agreed, that such Ships, Merchandize and Effects, as shall be taken in the Mediterranean or in the Levant Sea from Cape St. Vincent towards or in the Mediterranean, after the Date of the signing of the Suspension of Arms, shall be restored on both Sides without any Exception.

2. The Spanish Troops shall evacuate Palermo five Days after the signing of this Convention, and shall deliver up Castellamare, the Mole, and all the Forts, with the Artillery and Ammunition they found there, which are yet in being, and their Army shall the Day before march in a regular manner to Termini, and to the following Villages, Baucina, Bentemiglia, Giminna, Monte Major, Caltabutoro, Petralia, Vicary, Policy, la Rochella, Rochapalamo, and Cacamo, all situate in the Neighbourhood of Termini; and as the said Troops shall embark, the remotest of these Villages shall be evacuated, and the most rigorous Orders shall be given to prevent the cutting down Fruit Trees or Corn, or committing any other Disorders.

3. The sick and wounded of the Spanish Troops shall remain in the same Hospital where they now are at Palermo, with all the Physicians, Surgeons and others now employed in the said Hospital, for the Assistance, Service and Direction thereof, and a Guard shall remain there of one Lieutenant and 20 Men of the Troops of Spain to keep the Sick in the Hospital; all that shall be necessary for their Subsistence shall be delivered to the Director of the said Hospital for ready Money, and as fast