

**John Lambert to Andrew Jackson, February 27, 1815,
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MAJOR-GENERAL LAMBERT TO JACKSON.1

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Head Quarters Isle Dauphine, February 27, 1815.

Sir. I have this moment received your letter dated the 20th, and I have taken evry step to bring the exchange to a speedy conclusion.

On the subject of the concluding Paragraph, I have on[ly] to remark that honorable and feeling conduct which has characterised evry transaction in which I have had the Honor to be concerned in with you. You may rely upon it, I shall take no retrospective view of the conduct of any of the men returned and shall find reasons for discountenancing an enquiry, should it be brought before me or come to my knowledge thro' any other channel.

With regard to the Negroes that have left their masters and are with this force any proprietor or Person deputed, that chooses to present himself to me will be received and evry facility afforded him to communicate with these People and I shall be ve[r]y happy if they can be persuaded all to return, but to compel them is what I cannot do. . . .