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Lord Castlereagh has the honor humbly  
to submit for the King's Royal Signature,  
a Letter to the Emperor of China, which Lord  
Castlereagh has reason to believe, may be  
productive of the best effects, in disposing  
the Emperor of China, still further to favor  
the Commerce of his Majesty's Subjects,  
within his Dominions: as also in putting  
the Chinese Government on its guard, against  
any designs, which the Enemy may meditate  
in those Seas, particularly against the Port  
of Canton.  
Lord Castlereagh takes the liberty



of transmitting for the King's information,  
a Note explanatory of the forms, which  
his Majesty has usually adopted, in  
affixing his Royal Signature, to Letters  
of this description on former occasions