

Order to Capt, Smith.
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By the Right Honble, Samuel
Lord Hood, Rear Admiral of the
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Whereas three considerable Squadrons
of the Enemy's Line of Battle Ships, are daily
expected at Cape Francois, one from Europe,
another from the Havannah, and a third from
Boston, according to the Intelligence I have
received from Rear Admiral Rowley, Governor
Campbell &c. And it being of the greatest Impor-
tance to the King's Service, that Ships should be
stationed at different Places, to look out for and
give me Notice of the Approach of either of the said
Squadrons.

You are hereby required and directed to
proceed with His Majesty's Sloop under your
Command through the Turks Island Passage, go
round the Caycos Island, at about Ten Leagues
distance, and return to me through the Caycos
Passage; And if in performing this Service,
which you are on no Account to be diverted from
by chasing / you should fall in with any of His
Majesty's Cruisers, you will not only shew to, but
leave with their Commanders, a Copy of the Letter
you will herewith receive, You will look out for
me off the Old Cape, or between that and Isabella
Point, about eight or ten Leagues from the Land.

Given under my Hand on board
His Majesty's Ship *Porpoise*,
at Sea 5th December 1782.

To
Captain Smith,
Commander of His
Majesty's Sloop

Fury. / Copy /

Copy of Rear Adm^l
Lord Hood's order to
Captain Smith of the
Fury 5th Decem^r 1782