

L. of Sandwich
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The enclosed letters will shew your Majesty the exact state of readines of Sir George Rodney's fleet, & that if the wind was to come fair they might probably sail on Monday next. The Convent & Seaford are just returned from Quebec, and have been added since their arrival to encrease the number of frigates, which was thought not to be sufficient; it is therefore natural that they should have some few wants.

Lord Sandwich has seen Captain Fielding who accepts the intended charge with great readines, and will he hopes execute it with the utmost propriety & ability.

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