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Lord Wellesley presents his humble duty to Your Royal Highness, & has the honor to mention, That Gustavus Adolphus King of Sweden arrived in London on Wednesday night, three days sooner than the time appointed by himself for his arrival.

Lord Wellesley waited on H.M. in the morning of yesterday, & offered either to prepare the Apartments, lately occupied by the Stadtholder at Hampton Court, or a house in town, or in the Country.

Country for His Majesty's reception.
His Majesty declined all these proposals
in terms of great civility, & with a just
sense of the hospitable & respectful
reception, which He has received in
this Country. He expressed his wish
to be considered strictly in a private
capacity, & to be permitted to form his
own arrangements, freely, & without interrup-
tion or restraint, in the character, which
he had assumed, of The Count de
Gottorp. He expressed an earnest wish
to pay his personal respects To Their
Majesties, To Your Royal Highness, &
to The Royal Family; & after he should
have

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have performed that duty, he signifies his solicitude to be permitted to visit Louis the eighteenth, with whom he entertained an intention of residing permanently.

Lord Wellesley informed the Count de Gothorp of the unhappy circumstances, which at present preclude the possibility of his being received by Their Majesties, but he did not think himself at liberty to oppose any resistance to the general substance of the wishes, expressed by the Count de Gothorp.

Your Royal Highness, it is humbly hoped, will be graciously pleased to receive

receive this statement, as a testimony of
Duty & respect.

In justice to The Count de Göttern, Lord
Wellesley must add, that the sentiments
which he has expressed in all his
conversations, entitle him to every mark
of consideration & tenderness; & that
his whole conduct greatly increases the
interest, which would naturally be
raised by his misfortunes, & by his
zealous attachment to the cause of England
& to the deliverance of Europe from the
usurpation of France.