I am informed by Your Lordship's official letter dated May 18 last of Your Lordship's decision that Don Antonio Gil Ybarvo should not issue free passage to those individuals who present themselves to him in Nacogdoches with a passport or permit from me. This is most conducive to prevent disorders and the escape of lawbreakers in the trade of this province, who would enter into [the provinces] of New Spain.

By the same official letter //1v I am also informed about the flight of the smuggler Agustín Ramón, who was under arrest in that jail. I have received the letters requisitorial that Your Lordship mentions from the first lieutenant of those cavalry companies, Don Bernardo Fernández, to whom I am replying on today's date, but the fugitive has not appeared in this district under my command, nor has his brother, Jacinto Ramón, with the other young man, Manuel Cucaracho, who left that capital [which is] under Your Lordship's command without having taken a passport.

It is true, and as Your Lordship tells me, it is necessary for //2v us to eliminate this disorder, quelling the licentious freedom with which these depraved people transmigrate [our territories] without the knowledge of their commanders. For my part, I will make every effort to keep vigil on this [problem] in order to achieve this end, and compliance with what is prohibited by the superior authorities.

God keep Your Lordship many years. Natchitoches, August 4, 1791=

Luis DeBlanc
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Sr. Don Manuel Muñoz.

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