



Department of State,
Washington, July 6th, 1844.

Gentlemen:

The note which you did me the honor to address to me of date July 1st 1844, has been received and laid before the President, and in reply to it I am instructed to say that the communication heretofore addressed to you by the Secretary of State (Mr Webster) dated the 19th of December, 1842, with the Message of the President to Congress of the 31st of December, 1842, and the proceedings thereon of the House of Representatives, the appropriation made for the compensation of a Commissioner of the United States who was

To Messrs J. Haalili and W. Richards, }
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subsequently, appointed to reside in the
Sandwich Islands, were regarded
by the President as a full recognition
on the part of the United States, of
the Independence of the Hawaiian
Government. This opinion has undergone
no change; and as the course adopted
by the Government of the United States
in this conforms substantially, with
the rule by which it has been regulated
in all similar cases, it does not appear
to the President necessary to introduce
any other or more formal mode of
recognition.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,



J. C. Calhoun