Archives des affaires étrangeres collection on the siege of Savannah

Descriptive Summary

Repository: Georgia Historical Society
Title: Archives des affaires etrangeres collection on the siege of Savannah
Dates: 1779
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Identification: MS 1284

Biographical/Historical Note

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Scope and Content Note

This collection contains copies of documents from France's Archives des affaires etrangeres (Foreign Affairs Archive). The documents pertain to the 1779 Siege of Savannah. Additionally, the collection includes a political cartoon depicting d'Estaing presenting a palm (symbol of national liberty) to a Native American chief; this cartoon could be viewed as an item of French propaganda.

Index Terms

Engravings (prints)
Estaing, Charles Henri, comte d', 1729-1794.
Georgia--History--Revolution, 1775-1783.
Letters (correspondence)
Propaganda.
Savannah (Ga.)--History--Siege, 1779.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Material was acquired from representative of collector.

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Acquisition Information


Restrictions

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Engraving by Robert Dodd of an engagement between the *Quebec* and the *Surveillante*, 1779 October 6

**Item**

7 French propaganda cartoon depicting d'Estaing presenting a palm, a symbol of national liberty, to an Indian chief