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Sif Comandante

Rispondo alla vistrà letter, ed interno al fatto del sipo noto Peu Monto Ver dies, chi io um la dato ordine vernas per la Sua Cachier, un vel mondento · che pranzavo nui si digio, cle for in · Aldati vosti ein condotto nella montagna adducendo po motivo di Fele Catture, cles la lettir presentato della Stegio notto Vace non con quell'ittejer, cler aven licente In alementes; La nulla ovinej alla voita gente soltanto ghi ligni, che un artitus

delle Comendant loso dis Fratter Al 2000 not Vaco contre air de nulla for Dyso he hi sospetto. Ordinej si alla vosta gente ve ghi sair populite di Caduna à Tio: William To all' dor huge Cow figles de detto notare ejendo jungto ma: -mifest vivoluzionen , ed & aprej buono d' methodi in pryime alle Some Farjes, per un Communicare la los Cathin intenziones con elino; Coi sempor al Mits miperseptoz.

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Commander,

I am replying to your letter; and regarding the case of Notary Pace. I only tell you that I have given no order for his arrest, but at the time when I was dining I was told that among your soldiers he had been taken on the mount, bringing as reason for such arrest that the letter presented by thesame Notary Pace was not the same one which he had received from Clement. I gave no orders to your men, I told them only it was at their Commanders' discretion to deal with the said Notary Pace against whom till now I have no suspicions. I did order your men if possible to arrest Gio Andrea Pullicino and advocate Luigi Pace, son of the said notary, as they are overt revolutionaries, and it is a very good thing to put them in prison in Garzes Tower, so that they may not communicate their evil intention to others. And I always as usual profess myself

12 October 1798

Your affectionate servant Archpriest S. Cassar

To the Commander,

Liberato Grech, Caccia.