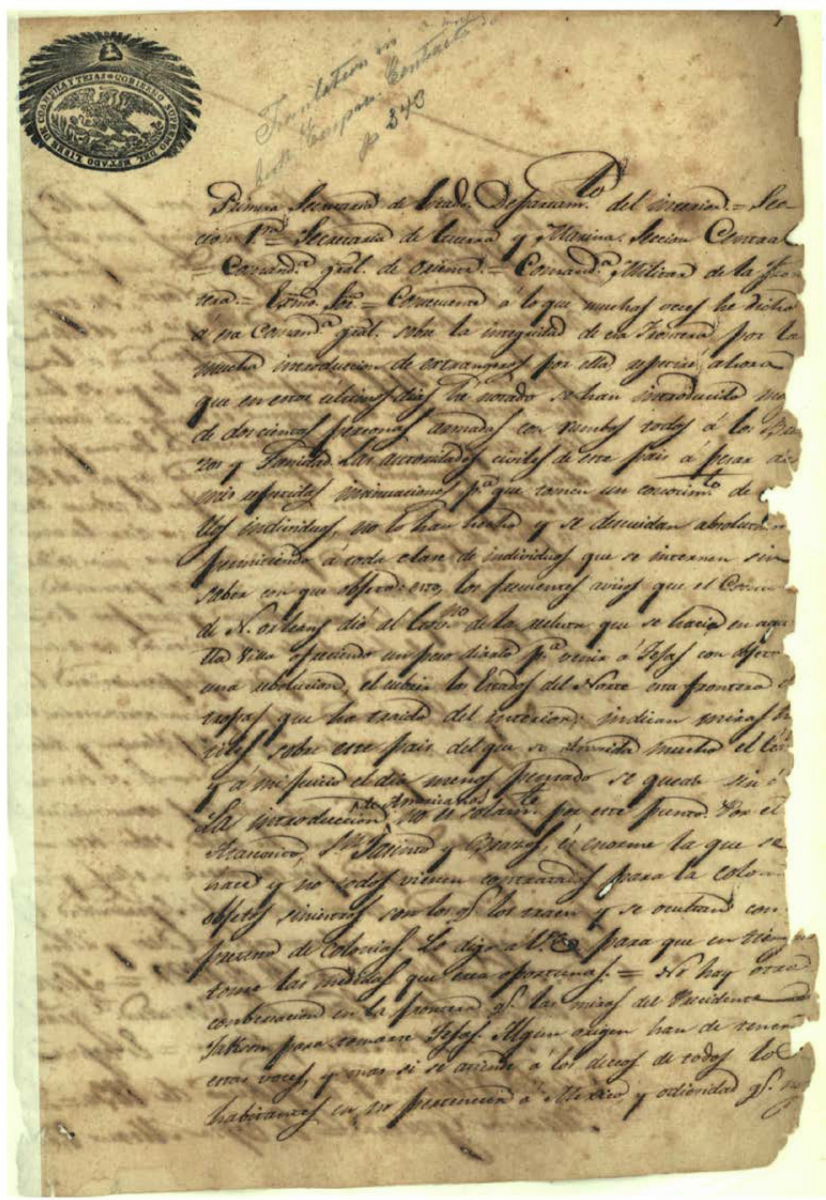
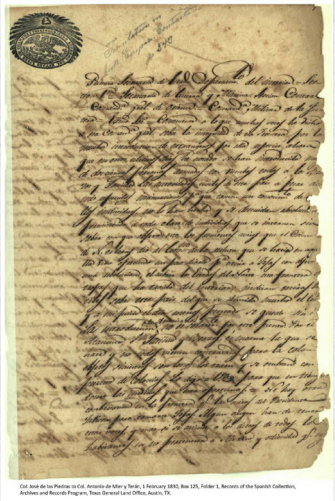


Col. José de las Piedras to Col. Antonio de Mier y Terán, 1 February 1830, Box 125, Folder 1, Records of the Spanish Collection, Archives and Records Program, Texas General Land Office, Austin, TX.

This letter was written by Mexican Commander José de la Piedras to Col. **Mier y Teran** on February 1, 1830, from the Mexican army garrison at Nacogdoches.

Piedras is expressing his opinions to Mier y Teran about the presence of American settlers in East Texas.



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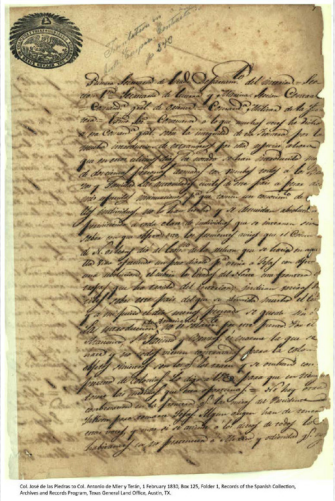
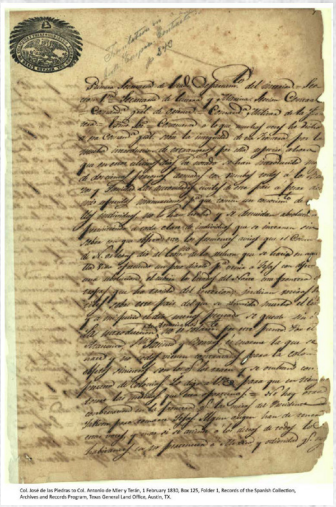
“In regard to the integrity of the frontier on account of the great immigration of foreigners, I now repeat, that in these last few days I have noted more than two hundred armed persons who have entered the Country destined for the Brazos and Trinity rivers.”



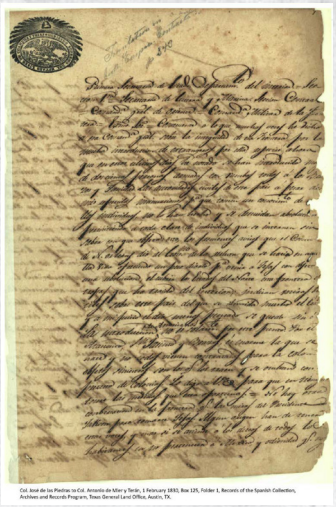
Col. José de las Piedras to Col. Antonio de Mier y Terán, 1 February 1831; Box 125, Folder 1, Records of the Spanish Collection, Archives and Records Program, Texas General Land Office, Austin, TX.

“The States of the North cover this frontier with troops brought from the interior which indicate hostility to this Country. The introduction of Americans is not alone in this place.”



Col. José de las Piedras to Col. Antonio de Añon y Terán, 1 February 1813; Box 125, Folder 1, Records of the Spanish Collection, Archives and Records Program, Texas General Land Office, Austin, TX.

“The number of them [Americans] is enormous and not all of those coming [in] are engaged for the Colonies. I say this to your Excellency in order that you may take such measureas you deem [necessary].”



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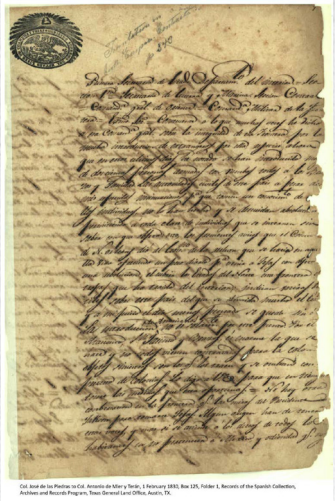
“There is no other conversation on this frontier but the views of President Jackson to take possession of Texas. The hate they bear us is so public in this town. It has already caused difficulty between the troops and the residents.”



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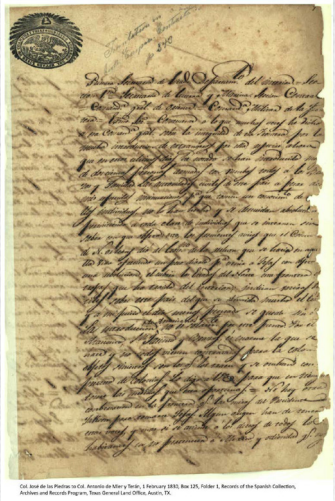
“There is not an American who is not inclined to the separation of Texas. None are friends to our government although many appear to be so.”



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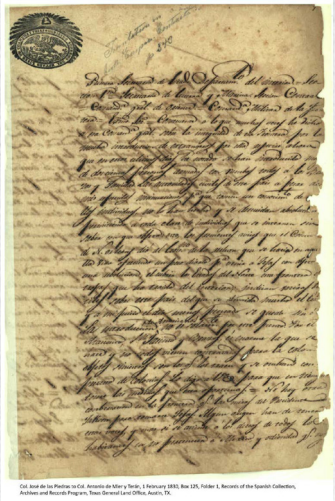
“ I do not count on any help nor could I possibly make a retreat. Your Excellency knows this Country, knows the distances and knows how few people live here and should know that this force is exposed.”



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“I see a conflict and I suspect very much the Government of the North will protect a revolution by the Colonists of this country.”