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MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE. ? Richmond, Feb. 7th. 1863.

To the House of Representatives of the Confederate States :

I have this day received the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the President be requested to inform this House whether private property of citizens not in the army has been seized and confiscated by his order, or not; and if it has been, for what offence, and under what law, such seizure and confiscation have been ordered;" and reply that no private property of citizens either in, or not in the army has been seized and confiscated by my order.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

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