

for leaving it exposed. The woman was also at hand; leaving no doubt of their knowledge of the projected murder. But, from the positive refusal of them to comply with a separate examination, they were told they must be considered as also guilty. They were informed of the satisfaction demanded by civilized nations for murder, having them tried and hanged in Tahiti, of what they should do, and that, on the arrival of an armed ship, they (the chiefs) particularly the head of the village, would be held responsible with his liberty for producing the family for trial, and Tagi for punishment.

JOHN CHAWNER WILLIAMS,
United States Consul.

Saluafata, Upolu, 15th July, 1840.

The foregoing statements were made in my presence, I having accompanied Mr. Williams to the village, and attended during the whole of the inquiry.

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