

map I presented to the president of the academy, whilst my memoir was reading; and Mr. *Buache* and I have since very willingly shewn it to all who have the improvement of geography so much at heart, as to desire a particular sight of it.

But this reduced map not being in a condition to be engraven, as wanting a more particular exhibition of *Asia* and *America*, I delayed publishing it till I had revised these two essential points. This engaged me in fresh disquisitions, especially with relation to *America*, in the most interesting places for *France*; but by application I accomplished it, and have been enabled to furnish Mr. *Buache* with new designs, which he has caused to be engraved, as may be seen in the map I now publish. This I thought a just regard for the publick obliged me to say, in excuse for the delay in publishing this map, and to shew the occasion of the difference betwixt the former and the present designs, and, likewise, to inform the publick of the share Mr. *Buache* had in the composition of this map.

