

ECUADOR.

Mr. Herrera to Mr. Hassaurek.

[Translation.]

QUITO, *May* 22, 1865.

The undersigned, minister of exterior relations of the republic of Ecuador, has received and communicated to his Excellency the President your excellency's note of the 15th instant, in which your excellency informs the undersigned of the death of his Excellency ABRAHAM LINCOLN, President of the United States, who was assassinated in the city of Washington on the 14th of April, and that in consequence of this deplorable event his Excellency Andrew Johnson, Vice-President of the United States, has succeeded to the presidency.

Such a lamentable and painful event has filled the Ecuadorian people and government with the deepest grief, because of the cordial and sincere sympathies which they have entertained and do entertain for the powerful republic of the Union; and to manifest their condolence, the government of the undersigned has ordered that all the officers and employés of the republic shall wear mourning for three days, during which time the flag of the republic shall be displayed at half-mast.

The undersigned avails himself of this opportunity, &c., &c.

PABLO HERRERA.

His Excellency the MINISTER RESIDENT

Of the United States of America.

Mr. Herrera to Mr. Hassaurek.

[Translation.]

QUITO, *May* 22, 1865.

The government of the undersigned has received with deep regret the communication of your excellency, dated Guayaquil, May 15, informing the undersigned that on the fatal night of the 14th of April, and almost at the same hour when the President of the United States was assassinated, an attempt was made by an unknown individual to assassinate his excellency William H. Seward, Secretary of State of the United States, but that fortunately, by the protection of Divine Providence, his life was saved, and that, though wounded by the assassin, he was already considered out of danger; also that for the time