War of 1812 - Summarizing Primary Documents Practice

Directions: Read the following primary document and summarize the passage using strategies learned in class. Identify *Who, What, Where, When, and Why* before you write the summary.

"I will first call the attention of the Senate to the ability and strength of the nation we are about to declare war against. Gentlemen ought to remember, that Great Britain has been almost constantly engaged in war for twenty years past against one of the most powerful nations that ever existed. Is Great Britain less powerful now, than she was twenty years ago? No, sir, the constant warfare has increased her powers instead of diminishing them."

> Senator Obadiah German, Congressional Records June 13th, 1812

> > Write a 3-4 sentence summary here:

