

Date: 14 March 1565

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Place: Loch Gair (on Loch Fyne, Argyll)

From: Dougal Campbell of Auchinbreck

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To ane rycht honorable man and my trest eyne Collin Campbell of Glenvrchay

Rycht honorabile Schir and trest eyne eftir maist hartle commendatioun.

I have resavit zour wretting quhair it makis mentioun yat ze vill nocht geve na assurance to MacGrigor nor to his men. Bot bidis me and ye Lard of Ardkynglass ffor to geve MacGrigor and his men assurance ye space of xx dayis in yis manar geve we had be bruit¹ yat we mycht bring yame to ane guidle way off greence² swa yat ye Glengrigors wsit nocht in ony part of zour bowndis ye space off ye said assurance. Now ze sall ondirstand yat I haiff goddin na word ffra MacGrigor sen I wret to zour self last³ be ressun yat ye Lard of Ardkynglass is bot now cumin haime. Thairffor I haiff send ane servand of myne with zour servand to ye Lard of Ardkynglass with ane wrettin of my awin. And hes biddin him wret his heil mynd to zow twiching ye ansor of MacGrigor yat geve it cumis to zour purrpass concerning to our commwing in presence off my Lord yat ze mey send me zour assurance in wret. And yat ze nour nane of zouris do na skayth to nane of ye Glengrigors ye space of ye assurance refarran ye rest to zour awin wistown(sic).⁴ And commend me hartle to zour bedfallow. As anent my brudir and ye Lard of Duntreinis brudir sendin to zow with heist yay are makand yame in redynis and salbe at zow als schowin as yai mey.⁵ This committis zow to ye protectioun of God. At Lochgar ye xiijj day of Merche. Be zour eyne at all powar 1564.

Dougall Campbell off Achinbrek

¹ News.

² Agreement.

³ Probably Auchinbreck's letter of 11 March 1565 [32].

⁴ The complicated negotiations which were being conducted involved the 5th earl, Ardkinglass and Auchinbreck as well as the two 'principals' Grey Colin and Gregor MacGregor, see 16; 19 March [36-7]; GD112/39/3/26 - not printed; MacGregor, thesis, 340.

⁵ For the provision of Alastair, Auchinbreck's brother and Donald, Duntrune's brother along with 24 men, see 20 February 1565 agreement, GD112/1/158; MacGregor, thesis, 341.