Gossap I commend me to zow. I rassawit zour wrytting and thankis zow of zour adwartysment and quhar ze hayf gottyng lyf to pass and repass to cwrt and desyris my cwnsall yairintyll and to kyp it quhyat. I sall kyp it waray quhyat for I hayf lytyll ado wyt ye matar. Bot yis is my cwnsall to zow to behald for auht dayis for safare as I can get intellenge my Lord of Argyll is lyk to get ane dress at ye King and Quinis handis qwhilk I sall adwartysz zow of sortly. For suposs I lwf not my Lord of Argyll zeit I think it best gyf he gat ane apwntment yat it serwit for zow and hym bayth and gyf he getis not ane apwntment sortly I sall adwartysz yarof wyt sped. As for nowallis ze sall onderstand yat Archibald Makconall hess bein wyt my Lord of Argyll yis penult and last dayis of yis mwneth and hess partyt gowd fryndis insafar as we yat is nocht of cwnsall ondirstandis. And Makclain meitis my Lord Argyll sortly and as for ye men of ye Nort Illis yat ar all gowd fryndis to ye Erle of Argyll bot ye Clanranald. Fardar I can nocht se ane better cwnsall as ye mater gangis bot all men [to] do for yam selfis and gyf may hayf ane gowd
dress I will tak ye sam swposs I be bot sobir. 

[PS] Fardar I belyf yat gyf my Lord of Argyll may hayf ane dress yat may hayf his consence and honour fre he will exsep ye samin.

[PPS] Yaris twa or tre sypiss cwmin to Air wyt wyin bot I heir nocht yat it is gowd and gyf it be ze sal be adwartyst yarof.

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1 The letter refers to the penultimate and last days of this month, after [65] and before [69].
2 For identification see Introduction.
3 When she visited Court Katherine obtained permission for Grey Colin to move freely, see Introduction.
4 Wait.
5 Grey Colin was advised that because he would be included in any settlement which the 5th earl made with the King and Queen, he should wait for eight days before making a move himself, see Introduction.
6 Alastair MacDonald eldest son of James MacDonald of Dunivaig and the Glens and Agnes Campbell, see [65].
7 Hector Mòr MacLean of Duart who was at feud with the MacDonalds over the Rhinns of Islay, see [69].
8 The 5th earl made sure that his relations with all the Hebridean chiefs were good, with the exception of MacDonald of Clanranald.
9 Carrick, despite his protestation that he was of humble degree, was denounced rebel along with the 5th earl. He was included in Argyll’s remission, when it was finally agreed, 21 March 1566, RSS, V, 2702.
10 Written down the side of the page.
11 In brackets at the side of the page.
12 There was a preoccupation with obtaining good wine supplies, so news of shipments arriving in Ayr was eagerly sought.