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Place:

From: Gossip (John Campbell of Carrick)²

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To my gossap gyf yis

Eftir hartly commendatiounis. I hayf rasavit zour wrytting and qwhar ze marwaill yat I send zow na word of my Lord of Argyllis prosydingis ze sall wyt I wryt to zow wyt Grygwr Makaneis boy qwhilk I parsawe ze hayf nocht as yet gotyne.³ Yairfor I am nocht in ye falt and I hayf spokin wyt my Lord of Argyll qwhom I fynd waray weill myndit to agre wyt ye Quinis Majestie sa it may be wyt his honwr and secwrete of his lyf and landis and rwmis wyt ye lebarty of his consience. And think nocht yat my Lord of Argyll thinkis to pwt his howss or fryndis in dangeir gyf he may hayf apwntment. For I aswr zow it is aganis his will yat yair is samykill harm doing be ewill men bot he will nocht stance yame qwhill he se swme goud hoyp of concord nor swposs he wald he may nocht fardar. Yis day yair is ane serwand cum fra my Lord of Kylzoning⁴ to my Lord of Argyll and yair is lyklyness yat my Lord Dwk⁵ sall agry and be hym self wyt out ony of his brodir. For ye Quinis Majestie will nocht apwnt wyt ye haill Lordis bot wyt ewire ane in partecwlar. And gyf my Lord of Argyll gettis ony dress I sall adwartyss zow yat ze may hayf

ye same dress for ze ar ane of his speciall fryndis and ye will be onder his dress gyf he getis ony.

Zour Gossaip

[PS] Fardar ye sall wyt yat I parsawe my Lord Argyll wyll wryt for zow sortly gyf he getis answr of agreance.

Yairfor I think ze suld be redy to cwme to hym.

¹ This was written after [69] and before [71] and was a more formal letter coming in effect from the 5th earl.

² For identification see Introduction.

³ In [69] Carrick wrote of sending a letter via Gregor MacAne, or his 'boy', but it had not been received by Grey Colin.

⁴ Gavin Hamilton, Commendator of Kilwinning.

⁵ The Duke of Châtelherault, who came to a private settlement with the Queen.