Date: 11 July 1570
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Place: Dunkeld
From: John Stewart, 4th Earl of Atholl (draft)
To: Robert Murray of Abircarney and William Reidheugh of Cultybraggan
Address:

To ye Lardis of Abircarn and Cultewragan
Traist freind etfir maist hartlie commendatioun. It is nocht vnknawin vnto zow ye maist wickit and vngodlie procedingis of ye Clanegregor towartis me and vtheris yir zeris past.
And now sic hostilite and skayth yat yai haif done to my cousing ye Lard of Glenvrquha[y].
And becauss yair maist resorting ressait and mentenance is with zow and zour nychtbouris
I have send yis present to mak zow foirsene and vnderstand yat yair is broking and wic- kit men to persew ye said Clangregor and I fere sall ewin vs sic hostilite and skayth vpon ye boundis quhair yai ar ressett and mentenit as yai do on vtheris our soveranis legis. Bot I had rathair yat ze and zour nychtbouris sould contine and tak ordour yat ye Clangregor our soveranis rebellis should be halding out of zour boundis and cuntray and nocht intertenit nor mentenit yairinto according zour bound devite
to God ye commone weill of yis realme and ye service of zour soverane besydis ye luff towartis zour freindis and nychtbouris. I haif wryting to my Lord Drummond to yis effect not dowting bot ze will imploy zour gud consall and assistance to his Lordship in ye mater foirsaid according to zour honour and ye respects afoir writing *for yat cloik quhilk was vunt to be maid of my Lord of Ardgyllie in yis mater is now away.* Sua committis zow to ye protectioun of God. Frome Dunkeld ye xj day of July anno 1570.