Date: 17 June 1570

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Place: Blair Atholl

From: John Stewart, 4th Earl of Atholl **To:** William Stewart, Laird of Grandtully¹

Address: To his cousing ye Lard of Granttulye; To ye rycht honorabill Lard of

Glenurquhay

Cousing efter hertlye commendationne. I haif resawit zour wryting as in ansuer to ye Laird of Glenourquhaye. I haif wrytin to him yat I sale heist owt ye watches als sone as I maye quhilk God willing I sall nocht omit to do. Makrannald² is gane hame and hes promeist to send men to me. And as for ye mene yat ar to be haid heirawaye I sall not faill to haif yame to gidder yis nixt owk. Bot I beleif or ye wictuall and silver be clene gadderit and yat we get yame owt it salbe Wedsondaye.³ I haif resavit na newiss sene my last wryting to zowe. [Mary] sic wrytingis as I haif resawit fra ye Erllis of Huntly and Argyle ze wil resaif yame and keip yame weile. I ame to be God willing at merchis betuix me and ye Barroun Cunsone⁴ in Muling⁵ yis nixt Wedinsday quhair I wil desyr zowe emistlye to be for ye samin affect suppoiss ye wiss aye to be againis me on sic caissis I wil desyr zowe to be yair. Resaif ye copie of ye wryting I haif send to ye Erle of Argyle⁶ quhilk ze sall keip with ye rest and sa fair ze weill. Of Blair ye xvij of Junij 1570.

Zouris,

Atholl

¹ The letter was later readdressed to Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

² Ranald MacDonald of Keppoch.

³ 21 June.

⁴ It is not clear who Baron Cunsone might be, or whether this is a son of a baron.

⁵ Probably Moulin, near Pitlochry.

 $^{^{6}}$ This is the letter of 10 June 1570 [101].