

Date: 27 July 1570

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Place: Duntrune Castle (Loch Crinan, Argyll)

From: Duncan Campbell of Duntrune

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To ye rycht honorable Collin Campbell of Glenurquhay

Rycht honorable Sir efter hertlie commendationis. Forsamekill as I haif resawit zour writting fra yis berair desyrand me to send unto zow of my frendis sax abill men tobe in houshald with zow and my fostersone.¹ And as to that I am to pass ye morne with certane freindis of myne to my bruther sone- is mariaige to Buit and culd nocht guidlie send sik ane nummer of honest men with sik ane sort warnyng becaus ye maist part of my freindis yat ar abill men gangis with my self at yis present. And I sall nocht faill God willing to speik waray sortlie with my Lord of Ergyll and sall luik waray effectuslie gif I may obtain leif fra his Lordship fra all maneir of oisting. And gif I may obteyne leif I sall nocht faill God willing to cum unto zow waray sortlie with sik nummer of honest men as I sall think resonable to wait upon zour service and my fostoris. Nocht ellis bot God haif zow in his keiping. Of Duntroune ye xxvij day of July threscoir ten zeres.

Zouris with service to command,

Duncane Campbell of Duntrune²

¹ Black Duncan was the fosterson of Duntrune, see [122]. The 'old kindness' between the two families was mentioned in the bond of friendship, 23 December 1564; 24 February 1565, GD112/1/156-7; BBT, 210.

² Duntrune was unable to sign his name, 12 August 1569, AT, VI, 135-6.