

Date: 7 July 1570¹

REF: GD112/39/4/11

Place: Blair Atholl

From: John Stewart, 4th Earl of Atholl

To: William Stewart, Laird of Grandtully

Address: [To h]is cussing ye Lard Garntullye

Cussing efter my hartlye commendatioun. Hes resavit zour writing with ye wyer writingis off ye Lard off Glenvrquhay and as for zour dessyring me to writ to him I haiff doin ye samin and as I belieff is according to zour dessyr. And quhatsoever thay be that informis him ye contrar quhilk I haiff wreittin at yis tyme thay do nocht thair duwattie and sall nocht be found sua albeit yai wald wyerwayis. Forder I haiff wreittin to him yat I haiff orderit zow to declair to him ye occatioun quharfor ye watche is sa lang ... past furthe quhilk was becaus yai yat was {Captains}² befoir hes nocht will to serwe and for yat occasioun I haiff ye war hoip off yame and belewis thay sall preiff ye samin in deid quhan it cummis ... poynt always I sall put yame to ye say giff yai will ws my consell gyff nocht we man send vyeris to be in yair sted. Allester MacGregor and {Allester of the Glens}² ... denyis yat ewer yai spak syk wordis to ... of to MacNachtan. Zit I can weil [belieff] ... haiff spekyne na less bot without commis[ioun] ... sall diraik my mynd to Sir Duncan Mac... dessyrit I pray zow faille nocht keip tryst in Dunkeld on Sunday at ewin to ryd with me ... I haiff na forder to wreit as now. Committis zow to God. From Blair in Atholl ye vij day of July be

Zouris

Atholl

¹ See Atholl's and Maitland's letters to Grey Colin, 7 July 1570, GD112/39/8/2-3.

² Taken from the notes, GD50/116/79.