

Date: [c. 19] October 1570¹

REF: GD112/39/11/14

Place: Dunkeld

From: John Stewart, 4th Earl of Atholl

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To his rycht traist cousing ye Laird of Glenorquhay

Rycht traist cousing efter hertlye commendatiounes. I haif resawit zour letter be ye quhilk ze say ze send ye coppie of ye last assurence tane betuix zowe and ye Clangregor to ye Laird of Granttully to be schawin to me quhilk he did as ze wryt. As alsua ze declair yat ye Clangregor hes desyrit ye samin assurence to be renewit to ye aucht day off December and becaus I and myne war comprehendit in ye samen and yat ze tuik ye burding yairof on zowe for ye quhilk cause ze desyr to knawe gif I wilbe contentit yat ye samin be renewit to ye daye foirsaid. Ansuer yairto quhensumewer ye Clangregor desyris ony sic thing of me yai sall resaif ansuer againe. Quhair ze wryt yat in ye meintyme sic heidis as yai will requyir zowe of for appointment ze sall adverteiss me gif I be on yis syd of the Monthe quhairbye ze may haif my adwyss and guid counsell. And quhen soewer ze sall send ye samen to me ye best iugement I haif sall be bestowit to zour commodites yairanents suppois it be nocht my command sua cane say na forder heirinto for ye present. Bot wil pray zou till mak na forder excuis for payment of ye duetye off ... restand awand bot yat ye samen may be pait and dely-[verit] to ye berar seing I am sa crawit ewery daye I beleif ... nocht lat me be forder empeschit yairwith. And inspeciall ... haif nocht debursit mekill of ye payment yairof yis ... zeiris ze may nowe ye moir esely pay ye grettest ... [a]nd yat ze wister nocht to mak excuis be ye Clan-[gregor] ... and yai being at sic tendernes as ze ar at. And ... my commendatounis to my ewill tennent. At Dunkeld ... October 1570.

Zouris lwyfing frend

Atholl

¹ Written at about the same time as Grandtully's letter to Katherine 19 October 1570, GD112/39/11/10 and before Atholl's next letter to Grey Colin, 28 October 1570, GD112/39/11/13.