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Place: Dunoon

From: Archibald Campbell, 5th Earl of Argyll

To: Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

Address: To our trest cosing Colin Campbell off Glenvrquhay

Treist cosing eftir our meist hartle commendatiouns. This present is to schaw zow of our hamcumyng of Edinbruiche nocth dowetting bott ze remembir of ye contentis of our last lettir schawyng ye occasione of our passing thair quhilk with honour of na wayis we culd eschew. Sa afoir our passing to Edinbruiche we causitt trawell with ye nobilete of ye vdir syid to knaw quhaitt way bluide schedding amongis ye nobilete and quyetnes to all ye communte of Scotland michitt be haid withoutt ony particular manes hurtt nochtwithstanding quhaitsoewir factioune he war of ane generall assurans in ye Scoittis fassiuone for bode and guidis. Ye parlementt contenwitt for vyer viij woches and ye prensipallis of ye nobilete quhay on baithe syidis wer leift particular to meitt for ye weill of Scotland and to trawell na thing for King nor Quine bott to stay ye present furey and as God plesitt to inspyir thame to trawell fardar tuiching King and Quine. This beying proponitt be ws in consall on our syde wes all togiddir refusitt throw particularettes and for our partt for proponyng of ye same we wir ewir and our compane and in speciall me Lord Boyd halding in suspitioune and war spokin of nor we will wreitt presentlie. [Besyde] this we remanyng thair ix dayis in armour nycht and d[ay] ... [g]lett sein our passing thair. Itt wes newir proponitt tott wes ressavitt to furnes our men of weir withall nor quh... ... thame nochtwithstanding we wer assurtle knawlegitt yairof ... haifyng ane hundreith men of weir me Lord Huntle ye ... ye ?Comptroller and Secretar equall to thame beithe. We kn... ... thing be thame of all thir prosidingis. And seyng our ... our selfis standing in suspitioun and nocth prewey of yair ... [con]sall of thame quhay wer with me for ye tymе thoich itt ... be ye suldartt in sik companey and sway ... self to cum haime. Att my departting thay sayd

... tynsall of ye Quinis causs albeid I wes afoir
... and doutitis nocht bott yai will causs reportt ye
... and excuissis thair particular deling yairby I sall
... mak ye treuith to be manifestitt. The skaithe done
... wos onle v or vj suldartis on our syid and assuritlie nor
... syid with Willam Schaw Grenokis brothir quhilk
... [?Du]nowne and culweryng. The prensipall heiddis of
... mair nesisar to be commwnicatt nor wreittin in paper
... we wald knew zour dyett and gif ze remein in ye
... will vissy zow abowitt ye first of Juny and gif ze
... to Glenvrquhay we may ye meir esoly haif occasioun to
... zow remitting all vdir thingis to zour nexitt advertysimentt
dowettis as ze heir. Committis zow to ye protectioun of God.

[From Dun]owne yis Sounday att nowne ye xx day off Maii 1571.

Zouris asswurytly

Archibald Ergyll

[PS] Comend me to Kayt and hest ye boy.