

**Date:** 29 November 1572<sup>1</sup>

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**Place:** Edinburgh

**From:** James Douglas, 4th Earl of Morton, Regent

**To:** Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

**Address:** To our rycht traist freind the Lard of Glenvrquhy

Rycht traist freind eftir our hartlie commendatioun. We dout nocht bot befor now ze haif vnderstand how at yis late conventioun of ye nobilitie and estates quhairat we ernistlie wishit zour selff to have bene present we are burdynnit with ye regiment of ye realme during ye Kingis Maiestie our Soverane Lordis minoritie quhilk charge albeit it hes bene alwayes and is difficill and troublesum zit in consideratioun of ye present necessitie we have zeildit to accept it. And swa be avise of ye saidis nobilitie and estates His Maiesteis parliament is proclamit to be haldin in ye Tolbuith of Edinburgh ye fyftene day of Januare nixtocum ffor confirmatioun of ye present regiment and other materis yat salbe proponit tending to ye avancement of Godis glorie and ye commoun weill and quietnes of ye cuntrie. Quhairfore we will desire and pray zow effectiuslie that ze substantiouslie accompanyit with zour freindis and servandis will adres zow to be in Edinburgh ye said xv day of Januare that be zour presence avise and concurrence ye said parliament may ye bettir proceid to ye effect abovewrittin. As yairby ze will gif declaratioun of zour constant gud will and mynd to ye obedience and suirtie of our said Soverane Lord and commoun weill of yis our native cuntrie and will do ws very thankfull and acceptable pleasir. Sa we commit zow in ye protectioun of God. At Edinburgh ye penult day of November 1572.

Zour assurit freind

James, Regent

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<sup>1</sup> This is a copy of GD112/39/14/12, a different clerk's hand, but also signed and sealed.