

**Date:** n.d. [c. 19 July 1571]<sup>1</sup>

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**Place:**

**From:** Ewin MacGregor

**To:** Colin Campbell of Glenorchy

**Address:** To ovr mest speyshall ye Lard of Gleno...

Rycht honourable efter meist hovmeill commendasiouns and service. I have rasivit zour Mastershipis vretingis fra ye berar and quhayr zovr Master seyis at ze have send for my frendis to Ballocht ye quhilk I am veill contenit thayr of and I sell be on Freydaye at tevin in ye Braye of Boquidder and I sell send ane servand of my aveyin<sup>2</sup> to zovr Mastership to Ballocht vyth my haill meynd anent ye men of Rathot.<sup>3</sup> And I vell vss zovr Mastership conseill vyth ye rest of ye freindis for I thynk hayve at ye men of Rannoche sould set our planness<sup>4</sup> on ony tovin eyster Eyregale<sup>5</sup> and yat be causs my Lord of Atholl thynkis at ye men vell hald ye land of his Lordsheype ye quhilk I vell never be contenynt thayr of.<sup>6</sup> Bot I vss zovr Mastershipis consell in yat behalf and all oyeris at vell cum to my freindis honour and myin. For in gud fayth geyf I vell vaquiet<sup>7</sup> yat rycht at I suld have in Rannoct I sell vaquiet my leyft or elles I vell have ye heill vague be ressoun I have na uyer staykens<sup>8</sup> to my freindis as zovr Mastership knavest. And ye rest rafaris to zovr in veill fay[vour. Be] zour servandis at all povar of service

Eveyin Makgregor toutour of  
[Glenstrae]

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<sup>1</sup> After Ewin MacGregor had settled with Grey Colin, October to December 1570, and before the final settlement was reached with Atholl, 24 July - 4 August 1571. The meeting of MacGregor's friends at Balloch was the occasion for the signature of the agreement on 24 July, GD112/1/197. The letter was written before the previous Friday, 20 July. The scribe was probably John MacCorcadill, see [181].

<sup>2</sup> Own.

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<sup>3</sup> The problem of Rannoch, both the lands and men, was part of the settlement between Grey Colin and the MacGregors which also involved Atholl and James Menzies of Weem. When he arrived in Balquhidder on Friday evening Ewin was going to send a servant to Grey Colin to discuss the matter.

<sup>4</sup> Possibly 'plenishing'.

<sup>5</sup> Probably a (ferm)toun east of Argyle.

<sup>6</sup> Ewin was determined to resist the suggestion that Atholl should hold the superiority over the Rannoch lands. The final settlement with Atholl was a compromise, see MacGregor, thesis, 391-2. Weem finally gave a tack of Rannoch lands to Ewin on 23 April 1572, [194], MacGregor, thesis, 393.

<sup>7</sup> Vacate.

<sup>8</sup> Stakes or resources.