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and meaning them might be taken of or mediated &c and that he had given them
these Papers to sight that they might not be hindered from Proceeding to Business
early in the morning and thus upon Mr Speaker together with the rest of the mem-
bers took leave and returned to the House. July the 2^d 1696

- The Council again attended next morning yesterday with the addition of
Col Brown and Esq Fry
Ordered that the following Proposals be drawn forth and laid before the House viz
Which was accordingly done and came answer in manner following
1 That all the Indians lands be adjusted unto the Bounds ascertained & referred
to the consideration of the next Assembly for a law to be made for ascertaining thereof
2 That all Masters of Ships for the future coming in give an Account to the Collector
& Naval Officers upon Oath what Letters they bring in with them as also of what
Goods are Consigned to any persons. Asented to by the House
3 To know what is to be done with the Ships left behind in the Country. For the
Majestys Service to be permitted to sail as soon ready
4 To know whether the Proclamation against Exportation of Corn shall be taken
off it being likely to be a good Year for Crops of Corn the House desired it may be continued
5 What to be done with the two Indians and Woman now in Prison. Message sent
up to his Excellency
6 That the House would permit Col Beal to go home and take all necessary Care about
the Indians as he sees occasion asented to by the House
7 Recommended that Col Beal be allowed for the two Indians at two several times
brought up to Annapolis Ordered to be allowed therefore
8 That all persons having any places of General employ within the Province do
reside in Town. The House are of Opinion that such Restriction will be means to
hinder persons Capable of such Offices from accepting thereof
9 Proposed that two men be added to the Rangers in Potomack till the fall and two
to the Party in Baltimore County. Resolved by the House of Burgesses that two men
be added to each Party of Rangers who are to continue Rangering until the fall and be
paid in like manner as the Rangers already appointed.

Signed by Order W Bladen Esq asembly

Asented to by his Excellency and Council. Hen Denton Esq Council
Col Addison and Captain Masons Letters are herewith likewise sent for Perusal of the House
Brought from the House of Burgesses by Mr Jenkins Mr Scarborough and Mr Ferry
the following message viz By the House of Burgesses July 2^d 1696

This House humbly Represent to your Excellency that there are at this time in
Custody of the Sheriff of Ann Arundel County one white Woman servant and two
Indians for murder or suspicion of murder therefore we humbly supplicate your
Excellency that you would be favourably pleased to take such measures therein as
your Excellency shall think fit to Exonerate the Country from such Charge as may
arise by long detaining them in custody

Signed for Order W Bladen Esq asembly

Ordered that the House of Burgesses and Lawyers be consulted therein to know
whether the said Indians can be tried by our English Laws under the Circumstances
they now lie under. July the 3^d 1696

The House of Burgesses are made acquainted that his Excellency is minded to