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[Council to Washington.]

In Council Annapolis 29th April 1779

Sir.

C. C.

Mrs Chamier's Friends are very desirous of obtaining Leave for her sending her Household Furniture & Cloathing round from New York by Water. We are not satisfied of the Propriety of any particular State giving a Permission of the Kind, though we wish, because of Mr Chamiers generous Conduct to many of our Prisoners, his Widow should obtain the desired Indulgence; this has laid us under the Necessity of submitting this Matter to you and to request, if your Sentiment is not against it, that you will give a Permission, on which only ours which we inclose, is intended to be of any Efficacy

His Excellency General Washington We are &ca

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[Council to N. Bruce.]

In Council 30th April 1779

Sir.

We received your Letter Yesterday. The Person we sent to Philadelphia for Money to defray the Purchase has not yet returned and 'til he does we are not able to supply it; he will be down soon and we shall remit you immediately; we hope a Week or ten Days can make no very material Difference to the Sellers. What wheat you purchase, we wish to be manufactured and the Flour of that as well as any Flour you get, sent with all Expedition to Mr Robert Buchanan at Baltimore Town. The whole Quantity wanted is not great but essential to sustain the Army. If you can get Flour at £15 we would have you engage what you can without Hesitation and employ Waggons to send it forward but by all Means see that it is in such Order that it will keep. Pray write us frequently

Col<sup>o</sup> Normand Bruce

[Council to S. Gilpin.]

In Council Annapolis 30th April 1779.

Sir.

We are glad of your Success in your Purchase. We wrote you the other Day advising you that rather than lose the Flour in the Mills we thought it best to give the exorbitant Price of 22-10. The Accounts we have of the Damage done by the Frost, leaves little Prospect of a sudden Fall in the Price and Flour in your Neighbourhood is in a very desirable Situation.