

other Provinces We have wrote to the Governors of Virginia, Pensilvania Maryland New Hampshire Massachusetts Bay and New Jersey desiring them to represent to their Respective Assemblies the Utility and Necessity of this Measure and to Urge them to make Proper Provision for it and therefore it will be necessary that when you have Settled the time and Place of Meeting you should give them Early Notice of it and this Leads to recommend one thing more to your Attention and that is to take care that all the Provinces be (if practicable) comprized in one General Treaty to be made in his Majestys Name it appearing to us that the Practice of each Province making a Separate Treaty for its self in its own Name is very improper and may be attended great Inconvenience to his Majestys Service

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New York 11th December 1753

Sir

On Friday last I received the Inclosed Letter (with others to the Governors of Virginia Pensilvania New Jerseys New Hampshire and the Massachusets Bay) from the Lords Commissioners for Trade & the Plantations to be forwarded as Addressed, and as they are referred to in their Lordships Letter to me I inclose you an Extract of it in pursuance of which I proposed an interview with the Indians at Albany on the 13th or 14th day of next June, The Assembly here this day Resolved that they will make Provision for the presents usually given on such Occasions and for the Expence of my Voyage, so that I intend to meet the Indians at the time and place abovementioned, the Assembly have also Resolved (upon my laying before them the Letter from the Earle of Holderness one of his Majestys principal Secretarys of State) that they will make a Suitable Provision for assisting any of the Neighbouring Colonies to Repell force by force in case they be invaded in an Hostile Manner by any Armed Force whatsoever, I Send you the Extract of a Letter from the Commanding Officer of Oswego by which it appears if the information be true that the designs of the French on the Ohio have proved abortive. I am S^r

Your Most Obedient & most humble Servant

James De Leney

The Honourable Horatio Sharpe
Governor of Maryland

Boston November 26th 1753.

Sir

I received by the last post a Letter from the Earle of Holderness dated 28 August past (a Circular one as it ap-