

Father King George to appoint the honourable M^r Atkin to be his Chief Agent and Superintendant of Indian Affairs in the Southern District of America, and to be a Mouth as it were between you and your Brethren the English, that all the Presents which should be made to you thence forward were to pass thro' the Hands of M^r Atkin or his Deputy and that you were not to regard any Thing but what they should say to you, or that should come to you under their Seal; I also told Cunnetocheskyowe and the Party of Cherokees which were then and are still at Fort Frederick, that the Governors were to attend to the Affairs of the white People only, and not to concern themselves with the Indians at all farther than to take Care that they should be supplied with Provisions whenever they should come into either of the Provinces. This being the Case I cannot suppose you would have come hither if your Emperor Old Hop had not before you left Home directed you to go and see the Governor that had sent him a Belt, or that you would have come farther down the Country than Fort Frederick, since that is the Place where M^r Atkin has ordered all Presents to be delivered that may be given to such of the Cherokees as shall at any Time come to assist their Brethren the Inhabitants of Maryland, however since you are come to this Place, I heartily bid you welcome, and I hope you are well pleased with the Reception you have met with.

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Brother. My Ears were open when you told me that as you came from home to assist the English it was reasonable that you should be supplied with Cloaths, Kettles, and other Necessaries by your elder Brothers to whose Assistance you came, since you could have supplied yourselves, and Families with them by hunting if you had not come from home, I agree that if you assist us you may reasonably expect some Reward, it is the order of the King our Father that you should be rewarded for your Services, and you may be assured that a large Present will be given to you immediately on your Return to Fort Frederick, where M^r Gist, M^r Atkins Deputy will attend on Purpose to see it delivered, there will be Kettles Match Coats, Shirts, Leggings, Ribbons, Wampum, Vermilion, Brochetts, Bed Lace, Looking Glasses, some Callico for your Women, and some silver Arm Bands for those that are the greatest Warriors, these Goods you will surely receive, immediately on your Return to Fort Frederick, where (as I have already told you) M^r Atkins has ordered all Presents to be delivered that may at any time be provided for such Parties of your People as shall come to assist their Brethren of this Province I hope what I have now said is

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