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Extract of an account of the proceedings of the New Jersey Assembly drawn up, at the request of the Governor De Lancy by M^r Alexander a Member of his Majestys Council for the Provinces of New York & New Jersey & communicated to Major General Shirley by the Governor—

p. 64 Sundrys of the Assembly heartily wish that a Congress of Commissioners should meet with Major General Shirley at Albany or where else he would be pleased to appoint in October or November next, to Agree on the further necessary Supplies & Forces for next year, that should be provided in the Winter, so that all might be at the Place of Rendezvous by the first of the Spring, that the Commissioners should be appointed by Acts of the Several Legislatures, but as they are one of the Smallest Colonies they durst not take upon them to begin a proportion for that purpose but will most readily follow the Example of the other Greater Colonies as far as their Abilities can go. Which being read his Excellency desires the Advice of this Board whether It may be necessary now to call the Assembly who are of Opinion it is not.

The present State of Our People upon the Frontiers in Frederick County being taken into Consideration and the following Letter prepared It is the humble Advice of this Board to his Excellency that he be pleased to Send the same to the commanding Officers of the Militia in Frederick Prince Georges, Baltimore, Cecil Ann Arundel, Calvert, Charles & St Marys Counties.

Sir

Whereas it is absolutely necessary for us to Send a considerable Body of Armed Men to the Frontiers of Frederick County immediately to prevent the farther Incursions of the Enemy who have within a few Days cut off many of the Inhabitants and ravaged a great part of that County: you are hereby directed and required to send from the Militia under your Command to Frederick Town a Party of Men consisting of any Number more than Twenty nine under the Command of one Subaltern officer unless a Captain shall voluntarily offer his Service and in such Case you are to appoint one Subaltern under him. I flatter myself that as their Country calls for their Service, Enough will be found among the Militia of your County that will voluntarily Compose the Party that is required of you, but should I be unhappily disappointed in such hopes you are to draft them by Lot or otherwise as you shall judge best. Every Person should take