

ernment in order to bring off their people to Joyn them at their present Residence. I am fully persuaded you will give them all the Assistance and protection you can, and direct how their rights there are to be disposed of, which they are desirous of Selling as the Tuscaroras did who left N Carolina

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Acts of Justice and kindness to these people particularly when the Indians in general appear discontented with the Conduct of many of the frontier Inhabitants cannot fail having a good effect. I have furnished them with a Passport for their Journey, and heartily wish they may pass unmolested.

I am with great Esteem Sir

Your most Obedient and very humble Servant

W. Johnson

The aforesaid Indians being introduced by M^r Amos Ogden their Interpreter his Excellency acquaints them that he will agreeable to Sir William Johnson's desire give them all the Assistance in his Power and write to some Gentlemen on the Eastern Shore and to all Officers Civil and Military to treat them with Civility on their Visit to their Brethren.

One of the Indians named Sam having represented that a certain Mary Crutchet who keeps Ferry on the North West Fork of Nanticoke River has refused to pay the Indians any Consideration for living on their Lands and further that some Lands belonging to them have been Occupied by the English several years (lying near the head of Wiccomoco four Miles below Venable's Mill) without any Purchase having been made from the Indians His Excellency was pleased further to acquaint them that he will make strict enquiry into the Grounds of their Complaint. In Consequence of which the following Letters being drawn were read and approved of

Annapolis 13th July 1767

Gentlemen

This will be presented to you by some Indians who formerly lived in this Province but have for some years resided at a place called Otsiningo near the head of Susquehannah having been incorporated with the Six Nations several of whom now accompany them in order to give an Invitation to the Indians that still remain in this Province to relinquish their Lands here and go back and settle with them at Otsiningo.

They alledge that the Indians at Locust Neck and on Nanticoke sent lately to their Brethren of the Six Nations to come for them and carry them back so that they may live together and be one People and expect to find them willing and ready to go in case they may be permitted to sell their Right to the