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[Council to the Board of War]

Gentlemen We have been informed there have been frequent Instances of States exchanging Officers taken by the Militia for those of their respective States, in the Hands of the Enemy even without an Application to your Honorable Board or His Excellency. If we are rightly informed, and such Practice has generally prevailed and been acquiesced in, it is our earnest Desire that Lieut Colonel Connelly who was captivated in this State and is now in your Custody, being deemed and adjudged by Congress a Prisoner of War and redeemable, should be exchanged for Lieut Colo Ramsay, an Officer of extraordinary and distinguished Merit in the Maryland Line. As those Gentlemen are equal in Rank, we flatter ourselves no Objection can be made to such Exchange. This Application would not have been so long neglected, if we had not expected that a general Cartel would have been established and rendered it unnecessary.

[Council to His Ex'y Gen'l Washington]

Sir We have wrote to the Board of War, requesting that Lieut Colo Connelly, who was captivated in this State, and is adjudged by Congress, a Prisoner of War and redeemable, may be exchanged for Lieut Colo Ramsay, an Officer in the Maryland Line. The extraordinary Merit of this Gentleman makes us very solicitous, that this Exchange should take Place and has induced us to desire your Excellency's Interposition in his Favor, if it should be approved by you. We are informed that there have been several Instances of such Exchanges having been made to the Advantage of other States, and from thence are led to hope there will be no Difficulty in complying with our Request in the first Instance

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Present as on Saturday—

Ordered That the Commissary of Stores deliver to Thomas Windham a recruit for the 1st Regimt a Suit of Cloaths the Bounty alld by the Act of Assembly.

p. 136 Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Capt. Henry Gaither of the 1st Regimt five thousand Dollars to be expended in the recruiting Service and Accounted for.

That the said Treasurer pay to John Lowe one hundred and thirty five Pounds, ten shillings due him per Account passed by the Aud. Gen!

That the said Treasurer pay to John Forbes Ext^r of James Forbes deceased three thousand one hundred and seventy Pounds p Acc^t passed by the Aud. Gen¹