

sold the King all the Lands on the East Side of the Ohio down to the Cherokee River which Lands were the Property of our Confederacy and gave a Deed to Sir William Johnson as he desired. Since that Time great Numbers more of your People have come over the great Mountains and settled throughout this Country and we are sorry to tell you that several Quarrels have happened between your People and ours in which People have been killed on both Sides and that we now see the Nations round us and your People ready to embroil in a Quarrel which gives our Nations great Concern as we on our Parts want to live in friendship with you. As you have always told Us you have Laws to govern your People by (but we do not see that you have) therefore Brethren unless you can fall upon some Method of governing your People who live between the great Mountains and the Ohio River and who are now very numerous it will be out of the Indians Power to govern their young Men for we assure you the black Clouds begin to gather fast in this Country and if something is not soon done those Clouds will deprive Us of seeing the Sun; We desire you to give the greatest Attention to what we now tell you as it comes from our Hearts and a Desire we have to live in Peace and Friendship with our Brethren the English, and therefore it grieves us to see some of the Nations about Us and your People ready to strike at each other. We find your People are very fond of our rich Land: We see them quareling with each other every Day about Land, and burning one anothers Houses, so that we do not know how soon they may come over the River Ohio and drive us from our Villages, nor do we see you, Brethren, take any Care to stop them. It is now several years since we have met together in Council, which all Nations are surprised and concerned at. What is the Reason you kindled at the Ohio for Us to meet you, which we did and talked friendly together, that you have let the fire go out for some Years past? This makes all Nations jealous about Us, as we also frequently hear of our Brethren the English meeting with the Cherokees and with the six Nations, to strengthen their Friendship, which gives us Cause to think you are forming some bad Designs against Us who live between the Ohio and the Lakes. I have now told you every Thing that is in my Heart, and desire you write what I have said, and send it to the great King Kill Buck, Speaker.

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M.^r Grahame from the Conference, delivers to M.^r Speaker the following Paper

The Stile of the Paper now delivered by the Conferrees of the Lower House, is so consistent with the Spirit of their other Proceedings, that we are not surprised at it, and most willingly consent an End may be put to an Intercourse so extremely disagreeable.