

You are for the time being on the Death of any Incumbent to advise me of the same agreeable to my Publick Instructions; But you are to take care, in the mean times, to have the Duties in such vacant Livings supplied in the best manner you are able.

15. *As* it may be proper to take some Notice, to the Honourable Gentlemen of the Council of State, who are now the same Personages that were under my late Dear Father's Government and have been continued by my Beloved Guardians during my minority and are now continued by me by virtue of my Commission to them for that Purpose, of the good Disposition and Steadiness they have shown in maintenance of my Rights, Priviledges, Honour and Dignity of Government, I think it advisable you should in some Council before the meeting of the Assembly, assure them of the just Sense I have of this their Behaviour and Regard to me, and of the Trust and Confidence I place in them that all their Resolutions will be for my Honour and Interest and the true Interest of the Country; And that as I have no other view but to make the Province happy, so I make no doubt but that they will concur with you in all such matters as you shall lay before them on my behalf; and that they will be of opinion, That no measure can be more Effectual to keep up and promote the welfare and Happiness of the Province than by providing for the proper Support of the Government in all its Branches.