

71) Whereas The Right Honourable Lord  
 Viscount Fairfax has a Grant of a large Tract of  
 Land lying and running along the Banks of Potomock  
 River on the Virginian Side. And whereas I am in-  
 formed The Powers of Government in Virginia have  
 taken the Liberty to ascertain The Limits and Limits  
 of His said Lordship's Grant running along the Banks  
 of the said River; which River to the further Banks  
 thereof is limited to me with its soil and water,  
 and is a Boundary between My Province of Mary-  
 land and the Province of Virginia unto the Fountain  
 Head of the said River. And where as I am informed  
 That Commissioners have proceeded therein, and in stead  
 of their stopping at the South Branch which runs to  
 the first Fountain of Potomock River one of the Bound-  
 aries of Maryland; have crossed to a Branch running  
 North, whereby their Endeavours are to give Limits  
 and Boundary Marks prescribed by my Royal Charter  
 subjecting me to great Loss of Country. And whereas It  
 being not known to me, that my Predecessor was made  
 a Party to the Settlement of such Boundaries by the  
 said Commissioners; and were it so, such Settlement  
 would be invalid by virtue of my Father's marriage  
 Articles, he being only Tenant for Life with Remainders  
 to me as Tenant in Tail. I therefore desire and require  
 of you as soon as possibly you can, to get Intelligence  
 of how such Boundaries have been or are settled by  
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