

ratified. But since as much now it follows under and question moved unto our Western Limits, and having thereupon observed and suspected the Bay of Chesapeake in the uppermost parts thereof windings so much to the North East to run about Sapsapax and Elfre River into our Land, we therefore lay also claim to those parts until by due examination whereafter the truth thereof may be found out or agreed and settled amongst us otherwise.

Firstly and Finally to conclude the Honble Governor Generall and Council of the New Netherland above said doth declare and manifest that like we at our side never have intended any wrong or offence to the Province of Virginia or now Maryland in the Bay of Chesapeake so we desire to Continue still with their in all neighbourly Unity Confederacy and friendship saving only that Justice and Satisfaction may be given as here demanded. Propounding further by way of Advice to prevent further Mischiefe that three rationall persons on each side may be committed out of each Province and for to meet at a certain day and time about the middle of between the Bay of Chesapeake and the aforesd South River or Delaware Bay at a Hill lying to the head of Sapsapax River and another River coming from our River almost near together with full power and Commission to settle there the Bounds and Limits of between the aforesd provinces of the New Netherland and the Province of Maryland for ever impossible otherwise to Reafre the Difference they might find not agreeing to both the Lordes Profoe Sovereign in Europe but in the meane while that by further Hostility or Infractiōnes to each other may cease and not proceed further so that the Honble Governor Generall and Council of the New Netherland hereof assure further charges and Damages Excused. May call their Soldiers Home which upon the Petition to defend their Province and Colony and only are sent thither and that we both sides at a fair Correspondency may be kept as always hitherto before.

By Denial or Refusal whereof we do proclaim our Inocency and Ignorance to all the World and do protest generally against all wrongs injuries Charges and Damages already sustained and suffered, or as yet to be suffered and sustained Declaring and manifesting that we are and shall be then necessitated and forced by way of Recourse or Repriall according to the 24 Article of Peace to preserve Mantain and to hold our right Title and property of our afo South River Colony or Delaware Bay and our Subjects Lives Liberties and Estates as God in our just Cause shall strengthen and enable us.

Desiring this may be Recorded and Notified unto all to whom it in any way may concern with the true meaning and sense thereof and that a speedy direct Answer and Dispatch may be given to us in writing from you the Honble Governor and Council of the Province in Maryland attested and Recorded by our Honble Governor Generall and Council of the Province in New Netherland.

And so wishing the Lord God Almighty will conduct your Honour both to all Prudēt Results that we may live Neighbourly together in this Wilderness to the Advancement of Gods Glory and Kingdom of Heaven amongst the Heathens and yet to the destruction of such other Christian Blood whereby to strengthen the Barbarous Indians may rather joy and love and League together against them which God our Lawe will grant.

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