

His Letter. Give every body Notice and look by you next night and day that
Indians are very strong and not far from you. I could have written more but I dare
not. Done. Wm James at Turkey Point to Remover.

15 May 1661.

Your loving Servt
Garrett Rutter

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A Council held at Spesutia 21 May 1661.

Present -	Gouvernor -	Edward Lodge
	Secretary -	John Balman
	Baker Brookes	

It was presented this following Letter.

Right Honble. New Amstel 28 May 1661. Stl. Novo.

My last the Six and twentieth of May was in haste because
the Indians would not stay, by the same I did assure your Honour of their
upright affection which we have for the keeping of a good Neighbourship
I have by this occasion Abraham Van Nox going that way by instruction
ordered and authorized for to declare by word of mouth that Licences to depart
to that two Indians that were apprehended was not in favour of the Barbarous
Heathens nor to the prejudice of a good Neighbour they having not been
accus'd to the Murther wherefore I could not keep them such proceedings
not being agreeable with our Nations Customs being a case that will bring
us into great Dangers of a War and a quarrel with the Indians, it being now
16 Days past before we had any intelligence from the Province of Maryland
in that Behalf. We therefore do assure your Honour that we will be upon
all occasions willing we hope that in time to come there will be a good
Trafficke between us, though this present difference betwixt you and the
Indians of this River are something disfavourable to it yet we hope that
the Almighty God will shew an expedient way that these differences might
be composed for the Wars are prejudicial to the Commons and uncertain
how they might fall out nor what time they may take that the whole nation
for six or sixtill Days should suffer so afflytly augmented yet nad full
that the Murtherers should be punisched for an example I have it Generally
understood from the Indians that they with the English upon very adversta-
geous condition with the English make peace that such a greate fault be no
more committed. In case you serve your Honour in the like Busines
I shall be willing to inclinate it and so wishing your Honour a happy
Government and a good End of these Troubles shall Depart

Your Hon: affect: friend and Servt
Alex: D'Innoijofas

After which was called in Abraham Van Nox in the
said Letter mentioned who being desired to declare what he had in
Commission to say from the Gouvernor Alexander D'Innoijofas declares
that they had done their endeavour to detain the Indians Murtherers
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