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I shall give your Honour no further Trouble with my Sentiments and
conclude

Sir Yours as before

To the Honble J^r Levingale

Upon reading the foregoing Letter It is the humble
Advice of this Board to his Excellency that he direct the Clerk of this Board to
write to the Commanding Officer of the Forces at Cherrin in Dutch or County
as follows

Sir

Annapolis 20 June 1742.

I am commanded by the Governor and Council to
give you Directions to make the most exact Enquiry into the real Do-
: signs of the Indians, which you cannot but have a good Opportunity
of doing by the cross Examination of Panguash and the other Indians
in your Hands, and if you find there is a just Cause of Suspicion of
their having entered into a Conspiracy to do Mischief you are immedi-
: ately to order Panguash, and the other Chiefs over here with a good Guard

At the same time you are to summon the Others in the
Fort or Swamps to deliver up all their Arms, and that unless they do so you
will attack them with all your Force as declared Enemies and shew them
no Mercy, if they are innocent you may assure them that they shall be
treated with all the favour and Friendship possible, the Government
having no Intention to hurt them, but only to take care of the Peace and
Safety of the Province

In case their Guilt should make them fearful of submitting
themselves, and put them upon standing upon their Defence, it will
certainly be for the general Safety to attack them as speedily as
possible, but as this will be carrying things to last extremity, it will not
be proper to go such a Length unless it shall appear to be absolutely
necessary, and therefore the best manner can be only judged of by
Gentlemen upon the spot, which is left to your Discretion, only

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