

Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay, and New Jersey desiring them to represent to their respective Assemblies the Utility and Necessity of this Measure and to urge them to make proper Provision for it and therefore it will be necessary that when you have settled the time and Place of Meeting you should give them Early Notice of it and this leads to recommend one thing more to your Attention and that is to take care that all the Provinces, be if practicable, comprized in one General Treaty to be made in his Majesty's Name it appearing to us that the Practice of each Province making a separate Treaty for itself in its own Name is very improper and may be attended great Inconvenience to his Majesty's Service

Sir

New York 11th December 1753.

On Friday last I received the Inclosed Letter (with others to the Governors of Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New Hampshire and the Massachusetts Bay) from the Lords Commissioners for Trade & the Plantations to be forwarded as address'd, and as they are refer'd to in their Lordships Letter to me I inclose you an Extract of it in pursuance of which I proposed an interview with the Indians at Albany on the 13th or 14th day of next June, The Assembly here this day Resolved that they will make Provision for the presents usually given on such Occasions and for the Expence of my Voyage, so that I intend to meet the Indians at the time and Place above mentioned, the Assembly have also Resolved upon my laying before them the Letter from the Earl of Holderneppe one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State that they will make a suitable Provision for assisting any of the Neighbouring Colonies to Repell force by force in case they be invaded in an Hostile Manner by any Armed Force whatsoever, I send you the Extract of a Letter from the Commanding Officer of Oswego by which it appears if the information be true that the designs of the French on the Ohio have proved abortive. I am

Your Most Obediant & most humble Servant,
James De Seney

The Honourable Horatio Sharpe
Governor of Maryland

Boston November 26th 1753.

Sir

I received by the last Post a Letter from the Earl of Holderneppe dated 20 August past a Circular one as it appears to be to all his Majesty's Governments in North America acquainting me that his Majesty had received Information of the March of a considerable Number of Indians not in alliance with him supported by some regular European Troops intending as it is apprehended to commit some Hostilities on parts of his Majesty's Dominions in America, and directing me to use my utmost Diligence to learn how far the same may be well grounded & acquainting