

The distant Inhabitants and on Occasion to act in Conjunction with the Troops that have been raised and are posted at Fort Frederick, and other places beyond Conococheige, I do hereby with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State, order & require you as soon as possible to send from the Militia of your County a Detachment of 100. Men under the Command of a Captains Lieutenant and. Confign to Fort Frederick, where they will be joined by another Detachment of the same Number. After their Arrival at that Fort they will be supplied with Provisions by the Commissary. M<sup>r</sup>. Post, and on their March thither the Office must apply to the proper Masters for such provisions and Carriages as shall be necessary, with which the proper Masters are forthwith to furnish him on his presenting my Warrant, and passing such Receipts as the Act of Assembly requires they may be supplied with some Arms and Ammunition by Captains Peter Butler of Frederick Town, but I would advise them to provide themselves with both before they march. You must see that every man takes with him a Blanket & Cloaths enough for a Month from their Arrival at Frederick Town before the Expiration of which Month they will be relieved. These Detachments from the Militia are to patroll between the North Mountain and Conococheige, the Command of Fort Frederick will order two Guides experienced who are acquainted with that part of the Country, to join each of them, and in case it should by him and the Colonel of Frederick County be thought necessary for the Detachments from the Militia to act in Conjunction, they are to put themselves under the Command of Colonel Thomas Sprather who lives near Conococheige - You will give the Captains whom you shall order from your County a Copy of these Instructions, and direct him to keep a Journal of his proceedings while on Duty to be returned me for the Assemblys perusal, you may also give him any other additional Instructions that you think necessary for his better Guidance and Direction.

Given at Annapolis  
30<sup>th</sup> of August 1756.

H. Sharpe

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of October, in the sixth Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoque Domini 1756.

Present

His Excellency Thomas Sharpe Esquire Governour.  
 The honourable { Benjamin Tasker Esq<sup>r</sup> } Col. Benjamin Tasker  
 Colonel Charles Hammond } and  
 Philip Thomas Esquire. } Richard Lee Esquire }

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board a Report made to him by