

to meet those from the other Governments for the purpose of forming Regulations for the Indian Trade, and that he has named this City as the most convenient place for the Commissioners to meet in. Upon this the Gentlemen of His Majesty's Council have advised me as the best Method to save time, to inform you that we are of opinion the first Meeting of the Commissioners should be the Tenth day of July next in this City which I do hope will be agreeable to you and that you will please to forward the Notice to the other Governments concerned as I do at this time to Governor Carleton. — I make no doubt the Commissioners from Quebec will be here that day —

I have the Honour to be Sir

The Hon.<sup>ble</sup> Governor Penn.

Your most Obedient humble Servant  
Cadmwallader Colden

Sir

Quebec 13<sup>th</sup> March 1770.

I have received a Letter of the 6<sup>th</sup> February last together with a Copy of an Act of the Legislature of the Province of New York, appointing Commissioners to meet such as are or may be appointed by the Neighbouring Colonies in order to fix some general Plan for the Regulation of the Indian Trade — That a concurrence of all the Colonies concerned in this beneficial commerce to regulate the same especially in regard to the vending of Spirits to the Savages, is essential to their several Interests as well as to those of the Mother Country, I am perfectly satisfied and that no Measures may be on our Part neglected towards the obtaining of such a Concurrence I am to assure you that as soon as the Time and Place of Meeting are fixed I shall authorize proper Commissioners from this Province to meet and discuss with those of the other Colonies this very weighty and important Business. And as the City of New York appears to me of all others the most central and convenient Situation for this Meeting I should be well pleased it was pitched upon for that purpose and the more so as the Commissioners will thereby have it in their Power to avail themselves of your advice and assistance in framing such Regulations as may best answer the Intentions of Government; when the Meeting is fixed you will be so obliging as to give me Notice, that the Commissioners from this Province may repair thither without loss of Time

I am with great Regard, Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant  
Guy Carleton.

The Hon.<sup>ble</sup> Cadwallader Colden Esq.<sup>r</sup>  
Lieut. Governor of the Province of New York



John Penn.

An Act for appointing Commissioners to meet with Commissioners who are or may be appointed by the Legislatures of the Neighbouring Colonies to form and agree on a general Plan for the Regulation of the Indian Trade. —

Whereas his Majesty has been graciously pleased to direct that the Regulation of the Indian Trade for the Future shall be committed to the care and management of the Colonies And Whereas it is conceived that the good purposes thereby intended cannot be fully answered without the Co-operation of the several Legislatures of the Neighbouring Colonies concerned therein, For obtaining whereof Be it enacted by Honourable John Penn Esquire, Lieutenant Governor under the Honourable Thomas Penn and Richard Penn Esquires true and Absolute Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania and Counties of New Castle Kent and Sussex upon Delaware by and with the Advice and Consent of the Representatives of the Freemen of the said Province in General Assembly met and by the Authority of the same that Joseph Galloway John Ross, William Rodman, John Morton William Logan and William West Esquires or any three of them by and they are hereby appointed Commissioners on the part of the Province of Pennsylvania and fully authorized and empowered to meet and confer with such Commissioners as are or shall be appointed