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that and the neighbouring Counties. - We ready and call here at Annapolis on your way
for further orders.

No 137.

Col^o Mordicai Gist.

Sir We understand from Mr. Hare that you are willing to undertake an expedition
into Somerset County to suppress some disturbances that have arisen in that and the neighbouring Counties.
We request you would get ready to march with three or four hundred militia or Regulars if
Congress can spare them, and call here on your way down for further orders. - We have wrote to
Brigadier Hooper and Col^o Richardson to get ready to assist you, and with them you are to
consult.

We are &c

No 138.

John Hancock Esquire.

Sir Your letter and papers relative to the Distressed people in Somerset & Worcester
Counties We received this day, the General Assembly is not yet got together, and Brigadier
General Smallwood is in Charles County. - We apprehend that ^{a delay} would be of evil consequence and
therefore have wrote to Brigadier General Hooper and Col^o Richardson on the Eastern Shore
to get ready some militia and what few Regulars may be in their neighbourhood to march
into Somerset. - We have also wrote to Col^o Gist (who offered his service) at Baltimore to
move forward with some militia and Regulars in case you approve. We have also writ
to Capt Campbell to assist with the Enterprises and to call upon us for orders, as Col^o

Gist -