1735

[2-0085] **II-59A**

Albany 6.th March 1734/5 [Not in Wraxall.]

May it please Your Ex:ly

We Take Leave to Acquaint your Ex:^{ly} That the Time approaches that the Traders are going up to Trade at Oswego, and by Act of Assembly it is Provided that a fit and Discreet person proper to be Commissary there during the Trading Season be Commissionated by your Ex:^{ly} to reside there to Regulate the Trade and Traders

Coll: Schuyler & Coll: Renselaer Informs us that Your Ex: You their Recommendation has been pleased to Nominate M. Henry Coster of this place, Who we think is a fit and proper Person to be Commissary there

Wherefore we humbly hope your Ex:^{ly} will be Pleased to Send him proper Instructions for that purpose We are with Respect

[2-0086] II-60

At a Meeting of the Comm:^{rs} of Indian
Affairs at Albany the 31st Mar 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

Present

Ph: Livingston

W^m Dick

John Schuyler

St: Groesbeck

Abraham Cuvler

Philip Schuyler

Jeremy V. Renselaer

Edw. Holland

John Schuyler Jun^r

John Lansingh Jun^r

Cornelius Cuyler

Dirck Ten Broeck

M:r Henry Coster Produced a Commission from His Ex:ly Wm Cosby Esq:r for being Comissary at Oswego (dated the 11:th day of this Instant) to Regulate the Trade and Traders there According to the Directions of the Severall Acts of Assembly of the Province of New York in that Case made and Provided

Resolved that the Said $M^{\rm r}$ Coster be allow'd the value of [blank space in original] in Merchandize to be

given by him in behalf of the Government as presents to the Sachims of the Six Nations as he Shall See Convenient

[2-0088] **II-61** [This page proceeds page II-60a chronologically.] att a meeting of y.e Com:rs y.e 8:th April 1735

[See Wraxall p. 191 for brief summary.]

PSent

J. Schuyler

St. Groesbeck

Ab. Cuyler

N. Bleeker

R. Gerritse

D. T. Broeck

J. J. Lansingh

C. Cuyler

Hendrick one of y.e Sachims of y.e Mohawks informs this Board y.t aron one of the Indians of y.t Castle who has been taken prisoner by y.e flatt heads (where he was gone with a number of Indians frighting [sic].) which Indians did treat him very barbourously, Especially when he was first brought in, but a great Sachim among S:d Indians who had fine Cloths did Release him out of their hands. or Else he would leave y:m on which they left of and did dress up his wounds w:h they had given him, S:d Sachim said it was a shame y:t People who live & are are sub= ject under one Crown Should be at war with each oy. r y:t it would be proper to Conclude a pease w:th y.e five Nations: w:h said Indian aron has Communicated to his nation who are very much Inclind [toward the] pease and have sent a belt of Wampum to aqu: ty.e Rest of y.e five nations [with] this Report & to Bury v.e hachet but v.e onevdes have kept S:d belt because Some was too small The mohawk Sachims desire y:t y:e Com:s may send a large belt, on w:h y Com:s told y:m yt. they are convinced yt. this Governer has always been inclind that they should have pease with all y.e forreign nations and are glad yt. this oppertunity has offerd & yt. they Should send to y.e forreign Nations to conclude a lasting pease that they have no belt but give 4 blankets Strouds to buy a good belt of wampum and when all y.e Six Nations have Consented to conclude a lasting peace with S:d Indians, and when vt. is done to acquaint this board of it given hend:k a Blanket for his Message

[2-0087] **II-60A**

At a Meeting of the Comm:^{rs} of the Indian Affairs at Albany 28th Ap.¹ 1735 [See Wraxall p. 191 for summary.]

Present

Philip Livingston

Cap.t Wm Dick

Myndert Schuyler

Hend.k van Renselaer

Joh.^s Schuyler

Rutger Bleecker

Rever Gerritse

Jeremy Van Renselaer

Nicholas Bleecker

Joh.s J. Lansingh

Edward Collins

John Schuyler Jun.^r

Cornelius Cuyler

Philip Schuyler

Dirck Ten Broeck

Resolved by this board that we write to his Ex:^{ly} to acquaint him of the French Erecting a Fort at the Crown Point and of Some other Matters of Moment as foll Ordered that Ph: Livingston

Esq. Secretary for the Indian
Affairs do Sign the Letter to
His Ex: by order of the Comm: rs

Albany 28th April 1735

May it please Your Ex.ly

It is with no Small Concern that We acquaint your Ex:^{ly} that the Governour of Canada having Lately Sent an Indian hither to Inform himself of News, We Learn from him that the French are busy to build a very Strong Stone Fort at the Crown Point where the wooden Fort Stood at which they are Daily Employed

We are also Informed by Some of our People who are Come from the Sinnekes Country That the Sinneke Indians Continue Stedfast in their Engagement to Coll.º Philip Schuyler

We are

[2-0089] **II-61A**

At a meeting of y.e Com:rs of the Indian affairs at Albany the 28:th May 1735
[See Wraxall p. 191 for brief summary.]

Present
Philip Livingston
Cap:^t W^m Dick
Myndert Schuyler
Hend:^k V: Renselaer
Reyer Gerritse
Nicholas Bleecker
Stephanus Groesbeck
Abraham Cuyler
Dirck Ten Broeck
Edward Holland
Cor:^s Cuyler

The Chief of Cagnawagua Castle, with four other Indians, inform'd this board that the Gov: of New England had sent them a Belt of Wampon in order to invite them to Come to New England to treat on some important affairs, which was made known to the Gov:^r of Montrial whereupon he wrote to the Gov: Gen: Of Canda [sic] and inform him of it, upon w:h he wrote for answer that he should the Indians not to go to New England but Stay till arrival at Montrial & that then he would Satisfye them & give his reasons for objecting ag:t their going & desired that this Chief might in parti-=cular be hindred from going but he pretending to be a great friend of the English, would not [Staly] for his arrival but is come here to inform thus must upon w:h he was affraid that he should incurr the Gov: of Canadas greatest displeasure

This board indeavoured to perswade them to go, and at the Same Time renewed the covenant with them, that in case a warr should break out between the Crown of Great Brittain & France they might remain Neuter upon which Gave a belt of wam-pon & desired that th[e]y maght inform their Nation & other Indians with our desire, which they faithfully promisd to perform Gave the Chief a Silver laced Hatt a Blanket shirt & pr of Mockins, and gave a Cagg of Rum amongst them

[2-0090] **II-62**

Att a meeting of the Com. rs of Indians affairs at Albany 10:th June 1735 [See Wraxall p. 191-192.]

Present
Myndert Schuyler
Abraham Cuyler
Stephanus Groesbeeck
Nicholas Bleecker
Edward Holland
John Depeyster
John Schuyler Jun:

of his Day [on this day?] a Cayouge Warrier called Te great derew anne appeared before this Board and desireing to speak w:h the Com:rs said as follows

Brothers I arrived here this morning & desired you Com:rs to meet together and I am glad that we are here mett together for I am to acquaint that We / meaning himself and some more of their Nations / have been a hunting of the last Winter at the Waganhaa's, and we had a Consultation w:t five Different Nations of these Wagahhaa's

Brothers We were a hunting the last Winters over the great Lake of Cadarachqua and in the spring when our hunting was over I and another Cayouge Sachim came to one of Castlers the place where the Waganhaa's; lived who told they were very glad to see us there and desired us to tarry till their Cheese [sic] came home for they had something of importance to speak to us, accord=ingly we Stayed

And after their Sachims were Compleat they told us they were very glad to renew the old friendship that had been on blessing with their or for if others and Tho: the old Sachims who contracted that friendship were Dead Yet We their Children very glad have had this oppertunity to Confirm the Same upon w:ch they gave us 5 Beaver Skins

Brothers We speak out of a Sincere & pure heart and we hope that you shall have the same and we Continue Stedfast [to] the old Alliance that always hath Insisted between our forefathers and that we shall keep Inviolable and hope the Same of you, and that there shall remain no Malice natied [hatred?] or Jealousy on your Part for assnce [assure?] you there is none on Ours. Gave us 5 Beavers

Brethren These 5 far Nations farther said that the old Alliance w:h was between our fore fathers was as follows that if there should be any Treachery or any Dissentions raised amongst them on either Side we should make it known to one another

[2-0091] II-62A

For you know that our father the Gov: of Canada is very ready to raise Diversions amongst Us but we assure you that we Shall not listen to him if he endeavours any such thing and will always let you know of it and hope you will do the same to us Gave 5 Beavers

Moreover Brethren We assure you that if at any time any persons should Endeavour to raise any Dissentions amongst us we shall not listen to them but that our Covenant & friendship shall remain Inviolable forever

It was agreed by our forefathers That our father, / meaning the Brethren Gov:r of Canada / and our Brothers / meaning the Governm:t of New York / w.t whom A Strict Alliance was made, and and that we were to observe the Conduct of both, We have tryed our father / meaning the Gov:r of Cada / and we like him not. We have tryed our Brothers / meaning the Governm of New York and find they use us well and are design'd to Continue w:t them and trade with them for every thing We wear or use, and we design to build a Castle to live in so that we may come and trade at oswego w:t out touching Cada rachqua We desire that if your Nations have any affairs to transact w:t us you may come directly to us, at this our New Castle and not by the way Cadarachqua, Gave five Beaver Skins I have now done teling what the Wagahaas Spoke to us, and Brethren we do now according to our Coven:^t for I am sent here by our Sachims to acquaint the Com:rs what the Waganhaas said to us. For it is agreed between us that we shall from time to time inform one another what happens amongst us. For [our] Brother the Governour, Informed us in his propositions to use our Interest w:t the far Nations of Indians to draw them to the Interest of this Governm:^t w:^h we do accordingly

Brothers We shew now our friendly Inclination for the Waganhaas have Spoke to us w:t 20 Beavers the [1/2?] of w:h we left w:t our Sachims to answer the Waganhaas and the other 1/2 we brought here w:h we desire you will answer by sending of them such goods as you know they like --

[2-0092] **II-63**

The Com:rs Answer'd

Brother We heartily thank your Nations for their good Inclinations to this Governm:^t and for your Services in drawing the Waganhaas to our Interest, and hope you will Continue to use your best Endea= vours to draw the others far Nations to trade at Osweego and in taken of our friendship Give you 7 Blankets of Strowds and a Kegg of Rum to drink the Kings health w:^t your Sachims Cayouge

Att a meeting of the Com:^{rs} of Ind:ⁿ Affairs at At Albany the 24:th Day of June 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

Present
Myndert Schuyler
Johannis Schuyler
Edward Holland
Ph: Schuyler
Nich: Bleecker
Steph: Groesbeeck
Johan: Lansingh
Cornelis Cuyler
Jer Van Renselaer

Whereas a Sum of £100:- was allowed by the Gen: Assembly of this Province for a Smith and 3 Men to ly in the Sinneckas Country from the 9:th July 1735 [Not in Wraxall.] and Abraham Wendell, Barnardus Viarsen Jacob Bleecker & Bart Steale undertook s.d Service for s:d Sume of £58:and that there was at Same time allowed the Sum of £58:for another Year Service by the same Gen. Assembly, and the Com:rs of Ind:n affairs thought proper to make an offer to the Same persons who lay their last year to Continue another Year w:h they would not accept off. wherefore the Com:rs thought proper to add £22:- to it out of the Money allowed them w:h they accepted off as appears by their Letter of the 27 May 1735 Resolved by this Board to give to Barnardus hansen for the use of [ye] Ind:ns of the Sinneke Nation £11 weight of Iron 25 [ld] of Steal and 1 doz files

[2-0093] **II-63A**

Att a meeting of y.e Com:rs of y.e Indian affairs in albany y.e 16.th July 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

PSent
P Livingston
W:m Dick
R: Bleecker
Ab. Cuyler
St. Groesbeek
Nicolas Bleecker
Joh: Schuyler

Arie of y.e Sachims of y.e Mohoggs Informs
this board y.t yesterday an onneyde Messinger came in y.e upper
Castle of y:e Mohoggs Calld Canajohere, who brought a message to
y.e Sachims there w.h was brought at onneyde by a Cayouge messenger who came thither
without touching at onnodag, but onneyde messenger
came away in such heaste y.t he did not know y.e purpost of y.e Cayouge
messenger only y.t there was to be a meeting of the Sachims but when and
at what place he did not know nor on what subject, tho he suppos'd
y.t there was some unhappy misunderstanding between some of our Indian[s]
S.d messenger desird y.t messenger might be sent away to be psent at s.d meeting to hear what y.e [Resolt] may be y.e more because to pass y.e Road from
onnondage to onnede was said to be now dangerous y.e mohoggs messenger
was already gone

Its Resolved by this board to send Lowrence Cloese y. $^{\rm e}$ interper ter to go forthwith to onyde to be Psent at s. $^{\rm d}$ intended meeting to hear what may be proposed and to give him y. $^{\rm e}$ following Instructions

Rec.^d a letter from his Ex.^y dated y.^e 7.th Instant in y.^e words following vizt.

[2-0094] II-64

By the Commissioners of y.e Indian affairs at Alban[y] Instructions for Lawrence Close

Whereas we have an Information that there is to be A meeting of y.e Sachims at or near oneyde, where the Sachims have desired that we should send a proper person to be present to hear what may be the Resolt of s.d meeting, wherefore you are hereby directed to go forthwith to oneyde or where the s.d meeting is to be, and in case you find it to be an affair of small moment you are to accomidate the matter in the best manner you can, and if it should happen to be an affair of any Consequence you are to come back hither with all possible speed and acquaint us with y.e affair, in Case you hear that there is to be no meeting or y.t y.e message is not Real but an Idle Story you are to come back from Canajohere Given under our hands this 10:th July 1735

July 7.th 1735 [See Wraxall p. 192 for summary.]

Gentlemen

being informed that the Troops at osweego are in want of Bedding and as it is highly nesesary as well for his Maties [Majesty's] Interest as the service of the Province in Generall and the security of the ffurr trade that those Troops may not suffer for want of nesesary provissions I therefore desire you'l forthwith sup= =ply them out of the money allowed you by act of assembly with a doz. blankets and a dozen of Ruggs and transmitt to me your account of the Charge thereof which I shall lay before the assembly at their next Sitting and recomend it to them to make provissions for reimbursing you your charge which I doubt not they will readily comply with

[2-0095] **II-64A**

att a meeting of the Com.rs of y.e Indian affairs y.e 29. July 1735

[See Wraxall p. 192 for summary.]

Present

Ph: Livingston

W.m Dick

Joh:s Schuyler

H V. Renselaer } Esq.s Com:s

A. Cuvler

St. Groesbeek

R. Gerritse

Ed. Holland

[S?] Bleeker

John D Peyster

Cor. Cuyler

Ed. Collins

It [is] Resolved by this Board to answer his Ex.^{cy} letter of y.^e [7th] Instant Rec:^d y.^e 10th in Relation to furnish y.^e Troops at osweego with a doz. Blankets & a doz Ruggs out of y.^e money allowed y.^e Com.^{rs} by act of assembly.

Albany 29:th July 1735

May it Please your Excell:cy

your Excell:cys favours of the 7:th Instant we

Received the [10:th] when the purport of the same was Referd to this day in hopes to have the members of the assembly for this City & County present none of them appearing and some of them have assurd that the Charge of the doz. blankets and a doz Ruggs your Excell.cy desires us to Supply out of our allowence for the Troops at osweego will not be allowed by them while they conceive that that Charge will fall on the traders, and the allowence

to defray the Contingiences we conceive will fall short of aur disbursement
There has Lately been a french man from montreal with a pass
from the Gov: of Canada who informs us that a large Stone Fort is build
ing on the west side of the lake at crown point opposite to their wooden
Fort which we conceive will be of dangerous Consequence to his Maj: Fronteers in Case of a war, with much Esteem & Respect we are

[2-0096] **II-65**

At a meeting of y.e Commissioners y.e 30 July 173[5] [See Wraxall p. 193 for summary.]

PSent
P. Livingston
W. Dyck
S. Bleeker
R. Gerritse
John DePeyster
Dirk T. Broeck
J. Schuyler
Cor. Cuyler

Rec.^d a Letter from his Ex:^{cy} of y.^e 22.th Instant directing us to send Lawrence y.^e Interpreter to Sachims of y.^e 6 Nations to meet his Ex:^y here on [ye] 8. Sep:^r next Resolved that y.^e s:^d Interpreter [illeg.] for nither to Receive his.

att a meeting of y.e Com:s for y.e Indian affairs in Albany y.e 31:st July 1735 [See Wraxall p. 193 for summary.] Sund.ry Sachims of Cachnawage in Canada being

arrivd here last night appeared before this Board, who my Com:^s in name of his Ex:^y our Gar: made y.^m wellcome by telling y:^m they were glad y.^t safely arrivd here, and y:^t Care would be taken to provide y.^m with provisions dureing their Stay here y.^e [3] hands of wampum was forwarded yesterday to y.^e maquase -- The s.^d Sachims Return y.^e Com:^s thanks for their kind Reception and telling y.^m y.^t they will be provided with victualls dureing their Stay its y.^e goodness of God who has preserved us y.^t we Enjoy y.^e blessing to see Joyfully [illeg.] & no [illeg.] Continuences & give their Respects to his Ex:^{cy} & y.^e gentlemen, the purport if their mesage is to Rectify what our ancestors have formerly Concluded with this Governm.^t

We Com:^s Replyd y:^t they are glad to hear they are come on such a good message

[2-0097] **II-65A**

att a meeting of the Com: of y.e Indian affairs in albany p.mo Aug.t 1735
[See Wraxall p. 193 for brief summary.]

Present
Ph: Livingston
W.m Dick
Mynd. Schuyler
John Schuyler
Hend Renselaer
St. Groesbeek
Ab: Cuyler
Ph. Schuyler
Dirk T. Broeck
Rutger Bleker

Rutger Bieker Rever Gerritse

Nicolas Bleeker

John D Peyster

John Schuyler Jun.^r

John Lansingh Cor: Cuyler

The Sachims of Cachnawage by their
Speaker Sconondo Stood up & said Brethren its the com[on]
maxim among them that when messengers be sent to treat of peace
first to Smoake a pipe together which they hope will be gran[ted]
them & whereby they will be convinced of the Commissioners sincerity, as
well as of their good intention in what they are to say w.h y.e
Com:s Consented to do; whereon a Calamat of peace was offerd to
all y.e gentlement who tooke each a Whif out of s:d Calamat and
told y.m that as this was their maxim to Smoake together to shew
their Sincerity to each other; among the Christians is to drink
a glass of wine & each others good health w:h was done

then adarajechta Stood up and Said

Brethren

It is gods goodness that we have y.e happyness to see each other today, yesterday we told you to Speake to you this day, what we Shall say will be in name and behalf of the Gov:r of Canada Cachna wage, Kieghsowanne & Canosodago, our ancesters have had and made Treaties together which has been handed down to us to Renew & Rectify which we are now come

Brethren

We desire that you to be attentive to what we come to say, we shall now Repeat y.e message w:h has lately been sent to y.e Canachnawages by two nations, you sent s.d message to us by an Indian who was here to trade whom you Supposd would deliver it faithfully, you told us

how our ancestors have kept y.e Road from hence to Canada Clean & fair that you on your side where Inclind to keep s:d Road for y.e future in like manner for s:d three nations, and y.t if it Should So happen y:t any difference or dispute might happen with any whom ever it might be, that notwithstanding such difference s.d Road should be kept Clean & be free for all to use it peaceably to & form our Respective Castles & habitations; The belt you sent us; we Rec:d God, has indued us with knowledge & wisdom y.e one more & y.e oy.r Less, we found some fault when we Rec:d your belt in y.e message you sent, y.e belt was in y.r own name but not in y.e name of your selves & [ye] six nations, we have Consu[lt] ed in Relation to y.e Contents of s:d belt and perceive thereby that you was Inclind to Conclude & keep a Lasting peace with y.e s.d Indians we do in y.e name of these before mention'd approve of same & thank y.e Gentlemen

[2-0098] **II-66**

y.e Gentlemen heartily for this good message on w.h they gave a belt

Then atawakhooi Stood up and said Brethren

It is by the goodness of God y.t we are now assembld together it is very well known to Every one y.t out Brethren Corlaer & y.e Six nations are firmly united together, wherefore we now Speake out of one mouth ye Gov:r of Canada & s.d three nations to their Brethren Corlaer & y.e Six nations that what you do Promise that you will faithfully perform it; not to Speake only with y.e mouth but from y.e bottom of y.r hearts, gave a belt of wampum

Brethren

We Speake in behalf of those above mentioned; that while there is a war with y. $^{\rm e}$ Indians to y. $^{\rm e}$ Southward and Some of our young warriours who go out to war ag. $^{\rm st}$ s. $^{\rm d}$ Indians as well as those of y. $^{\rm e}$ Six nations and if peradventure any of y. $^{\rm m}$ may happen by mistake to kill one oy. $^{\rm r}$ y. $^{\rm t}$ that may not be a breach of y. $^{\rm e}$ treaty & Covenant we now make but y. $^{\rm t}$ such breach made be made up with y. $^{\rm e}$ Sachims of the Respective places. gave a belt of wampum

Brethren

We are all very well Convincd y.t what is Evil has Generally y.e greatest Impression on y.e minds of men, and if any of you: we mean you & y.e Brethren of y.e Six nations have any Evil in y.t hearts to purge y.t Selves y.t you may Speake to us with a pure heart as we do to you gave a belt of wampum

Brethren

It is well known to every one y.^t y.^e five nations have long Since waged war ag.^t y.^e Indians at y.^e Southward and in y.^e mean while our Indians are also in war with s.^d Indians our Request is y.^t in case y.^t it may happen y.^t any of our Indians may happen to be sick wounded or

Scatterd in their Return home, we desire y.^t y.^e Six nations, if they meet with y.^m do Assist Succour & Relief y.^m & bring y.^m to their habitations w.^h y.^e Gov:^r of Canada & our Nations would be very thankfull for such kind hospitallities give a belt of wampum Brethren

We are Come along y.e Road which our ancestors have made but its so much out of Repair y.t we could hardly pass it hither we had a very Cloudy Sky y.t we could hardly find y.e way, but now we hope that all our hearts maybe Clear & open without any dissumilation as in a fair Sun Shiny day without any Clouds from morning till night, gave a belt Brethren

We have done wh[ich] we had to say now we have some what to propose in behalf of our warriours that when any difference may hap= =pen between our nations & y.e Six nations this Calamet pipe of peace may be logd at onnodage & that all differences may be made up & Reconcilld there between us & s.d nations;

[2-0099] **II-66A**

Att a meeting of the Com.^s of the Indian affairs in Albany y.^e 2. aug.st 1735
[See Wraxall p. 193.]

Present Ph: Livingston W.m Dick Mynd.t Schuyler John Schuyler Hend Renselaer St Groesbeek Abr Cuyler Ph. Schuyler Rutger Bleeker Dirk T Broeck Nicolas Bleeker John D Peyster Edw. Holland John Schuvler Jun.^r Johs Lansingh Cor. Cuyler

Answer made by the Com.^s to the Sachims & Indians come from Canada to their speech made by them yesterday.

Brethren

We Rejoyce with you that it hath pleased the almigh ty to give it in your hearts to come on such a good Errand, and has granted you a Safe Journey to this place that we may see one another with Chearfull Countenances to confirm our former treaties which have been Concluded between our ancestors which we hope may be kept Inviola ble by you and by those who have deligated you to treat with us;

Brethren

you told us yesterday that you Spoake & treated in behalf of y.e Gov.r of Canada, the Indians of Cachnawage Kieghsowanne & Canosodage that you was deligated by y.m to Renew with us y.e former treaties made between our ances ters in behalf of our Gov. which we do Ractify & Confirm with you & all v.e Indians Living in Canada which treaty we take to be y.t you and all Indiens Resideing in Canada Should live with all y.e Subjects of y. Great King of Great Brittain in a perfect frindship and neutrality in case there should happen to be a war between y.e king of Great Brittain & y.e king of France, and in Case you do keep Strickly to that agreement & treaty; we should then forever live in good unity to gether and have free Recourse to & from your habitations at all times as well on acct of trade as otherwise and be treated & Received by us as friends & fellow Subjects to y.e best of kings and y.t you on y.r Side & in behalf of s:d Nations whom you Represent Shall not molest nor anoy any of y.e English Subjects give a belt Brethren

We have been very attentive to what you said in Repeating y.e message we sent you by ondaghsego, one of y.e Sachims of Cachnawage w.h we find he has faithfully deliverd you we are pleasd to hear that you and those whom you sent are Inclind as well as we to keep y.e Road open & clean from hence to Canada & y.e Severall habitations in the like manner as our ancestors have done and that nothing will prevent or interupt y.e amicable understanding w.h now Subsists between your severall nati ons & us w.h friendship you may be assurd shall be kept inviolable on our side & expect the same from you w.h we Expect you will Rectify & Confirm in y.e most Solemn manner according to y.r maxim, give a belt

[2-0100] II-67

We are convinc'd y.^t it hath pleased god to in due you with knowledge & wisdom the one more y.ⁿ the oy.^r the fault you find in us when you Rec.^d y.^e belt we sent that it was in our own name, and not in y.^e name of us & y.^e Six nations: we had such a good oppertunity by the Pson who we trusted with y.^t message that we could have no time to acquaint our Brethren y.^e Six na= tions with it we are So well assurd of the gen.^l Inclination & disposition of y.^m y.^t we dare take on our selves, what we conclude with you that they will in y.^e most publick manner confirm & Radify at our desire; we shall take an oppertunity at y.^e first meeting of y.^e Sachims to acquaint them with the

Renewing of y.e Covenant Chain & y.e former treaties with you which have Subsisted between us and as we find your gen.l good disposition and inclination as also those Indians whom you Represent to Conclude a Lasting peace & friendship with us, as well as you find we have to do the Like with you from y.e bottom of our hearts. give a belt Brethren

We have considerd what you have said in behalf of those by whom you are deligated in Relation to the war you and y.e Six nations have with the Indians liveing to the southward we do promise in behalf of our Brethren y.e Six nations in Psence of y.e few Sachims of the maquase & Sachim of Cayouge, that if for the future any of you or they may Peradventure kill one another thro mistake that that shall be no breach of y.e treaty & Covenant now made but that such unhappy accidents shall be amicably Reconcilld & made up by them

we are as well as you Convincd y.^t what is Evil has generall y.^e Strongest Impression on y.^e minds of men, but we do assure you that no Evil Can harbour in our hearts ag.^t you but they are pure & Clean which you may be perswaded will always be so as long as you keep this treaty & covenant on y.^r parts inviolable and the Riad shall y.ⁿ be allways kept clean & open to this place and be joyfully Rec^d with great friendship without disimulation as in a fair Sun Shiny day, gave a belt

We have long since been acquainted y.t y.e Six nations have had war ag.st y.e Indians to y.e southward and y.t the Indians Resideing in y.r habitations have assisted y.m; we have often Recomended to y.e Six nations to Recon cile & make peace with y.e Indians to y.e Southward while they are in peace & friendship with his maj.ies subjects in those parts and hope you will Joyn with y.m; we have often Recomended to y.e Six nations to Recon cile & make peace with y.e Indians to y.e Southward while they are in peace & friendship with his maj.ys subjects in those parts and hope you will Joyn with y.m to make such Reconciliation while those Indians as we hear they are a peace able people who never do Molest nor anoy you however we do in the behalf of y.e Six nations promise y.t in Case any of y.e people be found by them y.t they shall be usd with all y.e kindness & humanity w.h brethren ow to each ay.r in assisting Releasing & bringing you to y.r habitations, give Strings of wampum ---

[2-0101] **III-67**A

Brethren

We Shall at y.e Request of your warriours Send your Calamet pipe to onnondage, where all the differences between you and the Six nations are to be made up & Reconcilld,

We desire that you may give up your names as well Sachims as warriours who are now present at this treaty for Confirmation of what you have Promisd on your Side, that it may be Seen by your posterity who has

been present Consented & Concluded it they gave their names who are as follows

D'Cariehoga orachjawachte
agarieyachtha Sconondo
T'seegochie osahsedageerat
Canadagaje Soneejasee
adonienarickho Karichariego
Tahassa Tojachjago

Sagorancax

Thorondieraghton

after Some Consultation one of the Sachims Stood up & Said

Brethren

We Return you thanks for what you have Said in Repeating our Speech, and the Reply you have made which is to our generall Satisfaction and Solemnly promise to perform ye Engagements wee now made

[2-0102] **II-68**

By vertue of a Letter from his Ex.^{ly} William Cosby Esq.^r &.^c dated y.^e 22.^d July the Com.^s gave the following Instructions to Lowrence Claese y.^e Interpreter

By the Com:^s of the Indian affairs at Albany

To Lowrence Claese y.e Interpreter [Not in Wraxall.]

Signd by the Com.s

[2-0104] II-69

Albany y.e 14.th august 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

May it please your Excell.cy

In persuance to your Ex.^{lys} directions we dispatched Lourence Claese y.^e Interpreter to invite y.^e Sachims of the six nations to meet y.^r Ex.^{cly} here on y.^e 8.th Septem.^r next

Inclosed your Ex.^{ly} has copy of a treaty we made with Deputies of Indians Living in Canada who have given us assurances to be neuter in case of a Rupture between y.^e french, as they are

Indians who are Removd from hence we hope your Ex. ly will be pleased to approve of what we have done in this affair w.h we presume was necessary for y.e safety of y.e poor Inhabitants in this County

on a message we sent to animate v.e six nations to make peace with y.e Indians living to y.e Southward they sent us now a String of wampum whereby they seem very much inclind to conclude a peace with s.d Indians of w.h your Ex.ly will have an op= pertunity to treat with y.m at y.r arrivall with much Esteem we are

May it please your Excell.cy

Your Excellencys most humble

& obedient Servants.

Philip Livingston

William Dick

Mynder Schuyler

Rutger Bleecker

Stevanis Groesbeek

Abraham Cuvler

Jeremy Renselaer

Ed. Holland

Nicolas Bleeker

Powder 100 Dirck Ten Broeck

Johannis Lansigh Jun.^r

John D Peyster

[2-0106] **II-70**

Att a meeting of the Commissioners of Indian affairs at Albany the 22:d day August 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

Present

Cap:t William Dick

Rutger Bleeker

Stephanis Groesbeeck

Edward Holland

Jeremy Renselaer

Dirk Ten Broeck

Philip Schuyler

Myndert Schuvler

John De Peyster

Nicolas Bleecker

Cornelis Cuvler

John Schuyler Jun:r

Cap: William Dick one of the members of this Board Laid befo[re] Us two Letters which he Received from M:r Thomas Butler of this Days Date by three Indians called Ezras Jun: Abel, [&] Joseph who say they Represent the three tribes of the Mohawk Castles and with them bring a belt of Wampum which

they Say was Rent from Canastoque to the oneydes and from the Oneydes To Sachims of the Mohawks Certifying that the Flatts heads about Eight Days ago on this Side Canastoge was Seen comeing in a Body to Distroy their Castles Whereupon they Laid before us One String of Wampum and by that Desired we might Supply them with Ammunition to Defend themselves and their Castles from their Enemys

This Board thinking their Request Reasonable have thought fitt to Supply them with 50 w:t Powder 100 w:t Lead and 200 flints Deliverd by Dirk Ten Broeck to Defend themselves and their Castles but with no design, Gave the Belt of Wampum

50 w:^t powder £4:5:-100 w:^t Lead £2:--:-

200 Flints :6:--

£6:55:--

[PS]

Cap:t Dick Laid before us your Letters of this Days date We take this Oppertunity to thank you for the Trouble you have taken in Acquainting Us with the Request of Sachims which we hope is Complied with to their Satisfaction for furnishing them With 50 w:t powder 10 wt Lead and 200 flints to act Upon the Defensive part In name and att the Desire of the Commissioners Albany 22 August 1735

[2-0108] **II-71**

Albany the 18.th Septemb: 1735

[See Wraxall p. 194 for summary. This conference is not printed in DRCHNY.] Present
His Ex.^{ly} W.^m Cosby Esq:^r &c:^a
Philip Livingston
Archibold Kennedy } Esq:^{rs} of His Maj:^{ties} Councill
Philip Courtland

The Commissioners of the Indian Affairs The Mayor Recorder & Aldermen And Severall Other Gentlemen Attending the Governour

His Excellency made the following Propositions to the Sachims of the Six Nations Viz:^t the Maquase Oneydes Cajouges Onnandage Sinnekes and Tuskaroras

Brethren I am grieved for the Loss of your People who are Deceased Since our Last Meeting Therefore I wipe off the

Tears from your Eyes, open your understandings, Wash off your blood, and Condole the Death of all the People you have Lost, that we may behold one another w.th Joy & Chearfull Countenances -- Gave a Belt

Brethren I meet you with great Satisfaction to Renew the old Covenant Chain, and in the name of my Master and your father George the Second King of Great Britain &c.a I do Renew the Covenant Chain between the Six Indian Nations and all His Majesties Subjects in North America, I hope this Silver Covenant Chain wherein we are Linked, will Every Day grow Clearer brighter and Stronger -- Gave a Belt I am glad to find that you are now Convinced that the Brethren Garrison and House at Oswego, is not only for the Conveniency of the far Indians to Carry on a Trade w.th the Inhabitants of this Province, but also for your Security and benefit to Trade there for Such Necessarys as you have Occasion for, and at as Easy Rates, as if none of the upper Nations, Came to Trade thither, Therefore I make no Doubt, but you will at all times willingly Defend this Garrison, ag:t ag:t all Attempts w:ch may be Made against it And that you Permitt no Persons of what Nation

[2-0109] **II-71A**

Nation Soever to Reside Among you, Except they be Subjects of the King of Great Britain. Since you have Put y:^r Lands under his Protection Gave a String Wampum

I do in a particular Manner Require you in my
Masters Name, your Indulgent father, that you will not
Suffer the french to build any Fort or Trading house on the
Side of the Lake or on any other parts of your Lands, for if
at any time (as I told you Last) hereafter there Should happen to be
War between us and the French, They will make use of them to
Destroy you, which Otherwise they cant Effect; You have formerly
had frequent Instances of their Enmity to you, in their Severall
Attempts they made ag:t you; It was their Interest to weaken you
but ours to Incourage you and Strengthen you Gave a String
Wampum

Brethren I am pleased to hear that Your People have been kind and Civill to the Traders who Supply you and the far Indians with goods at Oswego & I expect you will persevere in that brotherly behaviour which will Strengthen our friendship and promote Each others Interest I think you are Convinced how unable the French are to Supply you with Goods When the King of Great Brittain your father And Protecter is at War w:th the french King. You very well know that the French themselves in Canada Could not have Subsisted had they not been Supplyd from Albany Keep Steady

then to your friendship and Alliance with us, be Obedient and dutifull Children to the best of Kings your Indulgent father and Protector who can Defend and will Allways Supply you with what you want and Hearken not to the French Priests nor any of their Missionaries who Labour to Draw you from your Reale Interest and best friends Gave a Belt

Brethren I am Rejoycd to find that you are Inclind to Conclude and Make Peace with the far Indians Nations against whom you have waged War, these Many years past, which you have Testified by Sending a Message to the Commissioners here that that you received Overtures of Peace from the Said Farr Nations by Aron one of your People who has been Taken by them and Sett at Liberty, That you are Inclind to Treat of Peace with said Indian Nations, I hope you are Still in that good Dispossition

[sidebar] I Shall give orders to my officer at osweego not to Suffer any french to pass that Garrison to you and I Expect you will not harbour them among you

[2-0110] **II-72**

Dispossition, whereof I Expect you will give me Sufficient Assurances, and to appoint a Time when you are Inclind to meet here Deligates from Said Nations, I promise to use my good Offices to Assist in such a good Undertaking And to Acquaint the Governours to the Southward where they Live with your Intention and Proposalls on this Subject, I Expect you will give me an agreeable Answer That this War may be Layd Aside in an Amicable Manner thereby you will Shew me that you Endeavour to Cultivate a good Understanding with those Indians to make them your friends, that will Encourage the good Design of promoteing a Trade betwem [between] us and them, I am Sorry to find that are so Credulous to believe Every Idle Story that is brought among you of which you now Lately had an Instance, that the flatt heads were Comeing to Destroy you, which Alarmd you, but you must know how Impracticable it is for those Indians to Molest you, when they must first Pass Severall Indians Settlements who are your friends and their Enemies before than have Passage to your Castles, I Expect you will Persist in your good behaviour, towards those and all other remote Indiens, w.ch will be a means to Strengthen your Alliances and make you a great People Gave a String Wampum

I take this Oppertunity to tell you that the Indans Living at Cachnewage, Kiesowanna and Canossodago have been here to Confirm their Ancient Friendship & Peace w.th this Government & y.^r Nation Some of you were Present at s.^d Treaty, Said Indians have Left here a Colomet Pipe w.^{ch} I deliver you to be Lodgd at Onondago, where they desire all Differances between them and y: Nation May be reconciled.

Brethren Notwithstanding you have been often told yet at this time it is highly necessary that I should put you in mind that the Great King my Master and Your Indulgent Father Whose power is so Great that He is Emperour of all the great Lakes and Commands them; & all the Kings Joyned against him Dare not Cope with him, he now all [att] this time makes use of that power and has sent many Fleets on the Great Lake to Command and Order all the Other Kings the other Side the Great Lake who are at war with Each oth[er]

to

[2-0111] II-72A

to make Peace if they should not Obey His Command and thereby a War should Ensue between him and France you shall have timely notice from me and at the same time the Protection & assistance of the Great King my Master and your Indulgent Father

Brethren This most Gracious Majesty the King of Great Brittain Your Indulgent Father & my Master has Orderd me to giv[e] you in his name Considerable Presents of Such goods that are most suitable for you, which you shall receive so soon as you give me Your Answer

Present
His Ex:^{ly} William Cosby Esq:^r
Philip Livingston }
Arch:^d Kenedy } Esq.^{rs} of his
Ph Cortland } Maj:^s Council
The Com:^s for y.^e Indians Affairs
The Mayor Recorder & Aldermen

Answer made to his Ex:^{ly} W.^m Cosby Esq.^r &c.^a by the Sachims of the Six Nations of Indians viz:^t the Maquase Oneydes Tuscarories Onnondages Cayouges and Sinnekes In Albany the 20 day of September 1735

[See Wraxall p. 194-196 for summary.]

Brother Corlaer It is two days ago that you Spoake to us being come here on y:r orderin y.e preface of y:r Proposition you did wipe of the tears from our Eyes, Secondly did open our minds and understand ings that we might Speake to Each oy:r with a free heart & Chearfull Countenances and did wipe of the Blood if any of it be Spilt on the Ground, and Condole the Death of our people who are deceased sin[ce] you was here Last, and do in like manner do it on our parts Give a belt --

[2-0112] **II-73**

Brother Corlaer It is needless to Repeat your Ex.ly Propossitions we Shall only here & there touch on it you have Renewed & Strength= ened the old Covenant which our ancestors have made and hitherto has been kept Involible you have Likewise Claind the Silver Chain wherein we are Linkd and propisd on y.e Side to keep y.e Same Inviolable we do promise on our Side to do the same and perform it, and if any Rust might come to that Chain that the Same may be made brighter & Stronger Give a String of wampum **Brother Corlaer** You told us Relateing y.e Garrison at Osweego that it was not only a benifitt for the far Indians but also a Conveniency for the six nations y.t they might be Supplyd with Any Indian Goods w:h they want, & also a[s] Cheap as they can have them any where Else; its true that as long as there is a large number of traders we have y.e goods Cheap, but as soon as there is but a trader or two y.e Indians are Cheated not only we of the Six Nations but also the far Indianswho happen to come then, for we are Comanded from time to time to draw y.e far Indians hither y:t they might have goods as Cheap as others can find them any where and we who have Invited y.m must pass for Lyers for insteed that we should Receive pure Rum as is promisd us, we Receive half water you told us that you would not Suffer any french to go up the River at Osweego we Suppose you are in a mistake in y:t affair for the trade & ye peace we take to be one thing, for here have lately been Indian from Canada to Renew their old friendship, therefore no Passages ought to be Stopd where messengers come through to make peace, for Example there may be Indians come to Albany to treat of peace and Pharps to any of the Six nations His Ex:ly Answer

Brethren you do not apprehend what I told you to hinder y.e french from going among you via Osweego It was not to Prevent all Indians in generall who may have a mind to Come Among you but the French alone As for y.e Sake and in ye name of my Master & y:r Indulgent Father that I recommend you to Pvent the French from comeing among you to Infuze false Stories & to make you uneasy.

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[2-0113] **II-73A**

the Speaker proceeded & Said

Brother Corlaer

you have Commanded us y:t we should not Suffer the french priest or any oy:f french to live among us or on this side of the Lake: Its true Br: Corlaer we take narrow notice its as if you on one side & ye french on y.e oy.f will press us out of our Lands, we are like dumb people not knowing what ails us, but we Promise that we shall not Consent any french to live among

us nor to Setle on this side of the Lake, the house at Jagara is built but it was ag:t our Consent, you need not tell us the artfull =ness of the french and their deceit; we Compare y.m to a Sun Shiny day & a Cloudy, being variable, one time they will take of Peace & at the Same Instant deceive, Gave a String of wampum Brother Corlaer

The Smith & people from hence who are there now we desird and those of our Brethren from hence will be wellcome to trade among us at all times.

Brother Corlaer

You told us you were glad that we Rec:d the traders who go to Osweego with friendship & brotherly Love its our duty to do so, no body Ever hated his body we are one head & one body we promise to preserve in it when ever it Shall be in our powers we shall not use many words for it Should take up too much time only touch here & thereon y.e Ex.ly Proposition, Gave a String a wampum

Brother Corlaer

You told us y:¹ you waited to hear y:¹ we were Inclind to make peace with the Indians to the Southward they had Shown their Inclination for peace by sending one of our Brethren home who has been taken prisoner among them its true that he is Returnd home he is come home from thence but Run away from a Comp.y of Indians the Flatts heads are a people who have no Reason nither can they be trusted, but nevertheless by y.e good offices we are Inclind by the Medalion [Medation?] to Consent to treat with s:d Indians and as ye desird us to appoint a time when we Should meet deligates of said Indians here w.h we leave Entirely to y.r Ex.ly to fix Such time as you Suppose s:d Indians may be here, gave a belt

[2-0114] **II-74**

Brother Corlaer

You acq:d us that the Great King George of Great Brittain has Sent a Great fleet of Ships to a place where they are at War. and if they will not hearken to his mediation and that it happens that you will Send us word as soon as you Receive Such News for w:h we thank your Ex:ly Gave a String a wampum

His Ex:ly Answerd

That they Complain that the traders do Sell y:^m Water instead of Rum If you will name y.^e Pson who have been Guilty of that Abuse, I shall gett y.^m punished and for the future the Commissary shall have directions to taste all Rum y:^t is brought to Osweego and what is not good shall be thrown away. I have heard y:^t one of our friends has Lately been Murderd, I want to know from you how y:^t happend & who was y.^e murderer we are one

people therefore if any Murder be Committed for the future the Blood will be Required from your hands

The Conferance had between the Commissionors & y.e Indians of Cachnawage & they Shall Communicate to you, and they shall also Consult with you what will be y.e most proper time that you meet here deligates from y.e Indians who Live to the Southward to Conclude a peace with them

[2-0115] **II-74A**

Att a meeting of the Commissioners of the Indian Affairs att Albany the 20:th September 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

Present
Philip Livingston
Myndert Schuyler
John Schuyler Abraham Cuyler
Philip Schuyler
Reyer Gerritse
Johannis Schuyler Jun:
Cornelis Cuyler
John D Peyster
Dirk Ten Broeck
Hendrick Van Renselaer
Edward Holland
Nicolas Bleeker
Johannis Lansingh

This day the Commissioners Communicated unto the Sachims of the Six Nations the treaty which was Concluded in behalf of this Government and the Indians of Cachnawage Kieghsowanne and Canesodago on the first and Second August Last which they unanimously Confirmed and Contented to and thanked the Commissioners for their Trouble and Good Conduct in that Affair

The Commissioners told the said Sachims that they are directed by his Excellency to Consult with them what would be the most Convenient time to be fixd on, that they Should meet here Deligates from the far Indians to Conclude a peace, Said Sachims Left it wholly to this Board who told them that Some time next summer would be most Proper mean while his Excellency has been pleased to offer to Acquaint the Governour of Carollina to Send Such Deligates to advise his Excellency at what time they will come that he may Acquaint the Six Nations of it to meet them to Conclude a Lasting Pease with Said Indians who promise to Come hither on the first Notice

[2-0116] **II-75**

Att a Meeting of the Commissioners of the Indian affairs att Albany the 21 September 1735 [Not in Wraxall.]

Present
Philip Livingston
Myndert Schuyler
John Schuyler
Stephanis Groesbeck
Philip Schuyler
John D Peyster
Dirk Ten Broeck
Abraham Cuyler
Nicolas Bleeker
Johannis Schuyler Jun:

The Sachims of the Six Nations Confirm what they Promisd Yesterday in Relation to the Peace to be Concluded Between them and the Indians to the Southward