were the naked Indians and hired by the French so to do but were resolved to return home again without offering any further Injury and designed suddenly about Cohunk time as they term it to come and make a League with the English, but to that little Credit may be given, and taken only for a Pretence and Blind to prevent the English from making any Preparations of Defence

Resolved that Advice be accordingly given by Letter to the severall Governments of New York and Virginia

Ordered also That the Militia of the Province in the most open and Obnoxious Places be in a readiness viz in Baltemore, Ann Arundell, Calvert and Charles County

To signify also to the said Neighbouring Governments that there is here in Custody a frenchman Prisoner who hath passed his Examination, but from thence we had recd but little Satisfaction and small Credit was to be given to what he reports, however it is thought fit to detain him still in Custody till further advice

Ordered also that the Rangers appointed to watch and guard the Frontiers of the Province be still continued and that Captain Thomas Richardson with twelve Men under his Command be appointed to range on the Frontiers of Baltimore County

Letter to New York and Virginia was writ and is as follows Viz

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Maryland August 17th 1692

Having lately recd some Alarm from the appearance of some strange Indians upon the Frontiers of this Government and some mischief done as is suspected by them, both here and in Virginia and having also taken upon suspicion a french Prisoner that stragled from those Indians in their habit I thought fit to Conveene and consult their Majestys Council thereupon, and upon Examination of the Prisoner can receive little or no satisfaction, nor indeed any Certainty in his Report, but from some of our own Indians that accidentally met with a Party of them we are given to understand that they are a sort of Indians to the West-ward called the naked Indians, and did commit the aforesaid Mischief being hired thereunto as they said by the French at Cannada, whose King in Europe had warr with the English as they informed the said Indians but those Indians seemed