

to Your Ldp one Johnson, a Native of Pens. who has these two years  
resided among & associated with the French & their Indian Allies on the  
Ohio has been sent hither from Fort Cumberland. He imposed himself  
on the Commanding Officer at that place, as one that had made his escape  
from the Savages & fled thither for Protection, but on his Examination here  
he has acknowledged that he came from Fort du Quatre with a Detach-  
ment of the French & Indians who were to make an Incursion into this Pro-  
vince, or to attempt Fort Cumberland if the Reduction of that Place should  
appear practicable. The Prisoner was sent to reconnoitre & inform himself  
of the Strength of the Garrison & had concealed himself near it for that  
purpose; but apprehending from some Motion of the Country that he was  
discovered he dropt his Tomahawk went up to him & pretended to be a  
Fugitive as I have already mentioned. Inclosed Your Ldp receives the  
Information that he gives concerning the French Settlements & their Strength  
to the westward; He confesses that he came five times so far as the Alle-  
gany Mountains with the Savages that have laid waste our Borders & I  
believe notwithstanding his Professions to the contrary that he has been fre-  
quently lower down with them murdering the Inhabitants. I propose to  
order him back again to Fort Cumberland to be reexamined & rewarded  
according to his Deserts unless Your Ldp shall be pleased to give Orders  
to the contrary in  
I am &c

To Gov. Denny the 15<sup>th</sup> Novem. 1756.

I now do myself the honour to acknowledge the Rec<sup>d</sup> of Your Favour dated  
the 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. & to send You a Copy of the Information of one Johnson who  
having near two Years resided among the French & their Indian Allies was  
lately sent hither from Fort Cumberland. He acknowledges that he has several  
times accompanied the Indians from Fort du Quatre to the Allegany Mountains  
& I am persuaded notwithstanding his professions to the contrary that he has been  
frequently farther down with them murdering the Inhabitants. On this