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Whitehall, December 4, 1759.

*Translation of the Declaration, which His Serene Highness Duke Lewis of Brunswick, has delivered to the Ministers of the Belligerent Powers, residing at the Hague, in the Name of His Majesty, and of the King of Prussia.*

**T**HEIR Britannick and Prussian Majesties, moved with Compassion at the Mischiefs which the War, that has been kindled for some Years, has already occasioned, and must necessarily still produce; should think themselves wanting to the Duties of Humanity, and particularly to their tender Concern for the Preservation and Well-being of their respective Kingdoms and Subjects, if they neglected the proper Means to put a Stop to the Progress of so severe a Calamity, and to contribute to the Re-establishment of Public Tranquillity. In this View, and in order to manifest the Purity of their Intentions, in this Respect, their said Majesties have determined to make the following Declaration; viz.

That they are ready to send Plenipotentiaries to the Place, which shall be thought most proper, in order there to treat, conjointly, of a solid and general Peace, with those whom the Belligerent Parties shall think fit to authorise, on their Part, for the attaining so salutary an End.

*St. James's, December 4.*

The three following Addresses having been transmitted to the Right Honourable the Earl of Holderness, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, have by him been presented to His Majesty: Which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

*May it please your Majesty,*

**W**E your Majesty's most loyal and faithful Subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Commission of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, beg leave to congratulate your Majesty upon the late signal Success of the British Arms. We adore the great Ruler of the World, for the distinguished Favour he hath shown to your Majesty and your Kingdoms, in the Prosecution of a most just and necessary War. To that Spirit of Wisdom and Might, which proceeds from the Lord of Hosts, we ascribe those happy Efforts which have maintained our Rights in America, restrained hostile Encroachments, and extended the Territory and Commerce of the British Empire. We acknowledge the merciful Hand of God, in giving a Check to those barbarous and unprovoked Oppressions, which lately afflicted our Fellow Protestants, your Majesty's Subjects in Germany, and in preventing the Return of like Calamities, by a Victory equally splendid and important. Nor can we, without a sensible Triumph, anticipate the Reflection of future Ages, that Great Britain, under your Majesty's auspicious Reign, after vindicating and securing her own essential Interests, extended her Protection to injured Nations, and disappointed the most powerful Confederacy that ever was formed against the Rights of Mankind.

While your Majesty's Fleets and Armies are victorious in all Parts of the World, your Enemies feel the double Distress of Disappointment Abroad, and Embarrassment at Home. They are forced to fly to the last Resource, in the intended Invasion of these Kingdoms. On this Occasion, Most Gracious Sovereign, our Duty requires, and our particular Situation enables us to give your Majesty the most Authentic Assurance, that the People of North Britain behold with Indignation this audacious Attempt; and, to prevent the Vexation of continual Alarms, or the Miseries of actual Invasion, they humbly and dutifully wish to be put into a Condition of contributing to the Quiet and Security of their native Country.

We observe, with the most sincere Joy, that the Tenour of your Majesty's mild and paternal Reign, the many great Events of Providence which distinguish and adorn it, the wise and generous Policy, which hath been pursued, with regard to the Northern Part of this Island, have produced the most visible and happy Fruits: They have broke the Force of Ancient Prejudice, struck at the Root of Disaffection, united your Subjects in warm Attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government, and inspired them with Confidence in that virtuous Administration, and with Admiration of those wise and magnanimous Counsels to which, under God, we owe the most valuable Blessings.

We receive it as a Proof of your pious Concern for the true Interests of your People, that your Majesty hath called us, by your Royal Authority, to offer public Thanksgivings to the God of Heaven for his various and unparalleled Mercies.—Duty and Inclination prompt us to cherish in the Minds of your Subjects Sentiments of Piety and Gratitude to God, Loyalty to the best of Sovereigns, and Zeal for the Honour and Prosperity of the British Nation.

We offer up our constant and fervent Prayers to Almighty God, that your Sacred Person and Royal Family may ever be happy under His Blessing and Protection, that He may continue to go forth with your Majesty's Fleets and Armies, that the Progress of your Arms may lay the Foundation of lasting Tranquillity and real Advantage to every Part of your Dominions, may prove the Means of civilizing uncultivated Nations, and reconciling them to British Interests; and may favour the Introduction of our Holy and Humane Religion into the Regions of Ignorance and Cruelty.

Signed in Name, in Presence, and by Appointment of the foresaid Commission, by  
Edinburgh 21st Nov. *George Kay*, Moderator.  
1759.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Principal, Professors and Masters of the Marischal College and University of Aberdeen.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**A**MIDST the general Joy, and universal Triumph of your Majesty's Subjects, We, the Principal, Professors, and Masters of an University under your Majesty's immediate Patronage, humbly beg Leave to approach your Royal Throne with our  
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