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P. of Chelmsford  
Brookly Square Regent 25/1782 15/18/14

Sir

I have lost no time to signify  
your Majesty's commands to the Arch-  
bishop of Canterbury.

I humbly thank your Majesty for  
mentioning the particulars of the news

arriv'd from the West Indies, and humbly  
congratulate your Majesty upon the  
same. I receiv'd a general account  
from the Admiralty of it, which I im-  
-mediately forwarded to the Lord Mayor.

I have the Honour to send your  
Majesty a Draft of my answer to  
Dr Franklin, and have just finish'd  
a very long conversation with Mr  
Oswald, at which I desir'd Lord

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Ashburton to be present, that in case  
of any misunderstanding, in conse-  
quence of the general Terms of the  
Minute drawn up by Mr. Fox, I might  
be perfectly understood. and I have  
the satisfaction to assure your Majesty  
by that Mr. Oswald goes away fully  
Improv'd of the propriety of ma-  
king Peace either general or separate,  
the Price of Independance, and

that your Majesty will not be bound  
by the proposition if Peace is not the  
consequence.

I have the Honour to be  
with the highest Respect

Your Majesty's  
most Dutty full Subject  
and Faithfull Servant

Berkley Square

25.<sup>th</sup> May 1702

To post 5 P.M.

Shelburne