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1<sup>st</sup> Note.

The Lord Chancellor having expressed a wish that the Prince of Wales could reduce to writing the substance of the conversation he had just had with the Prince of Wales. The Prince is compelled to remind His Lordship that the shortness of the time, it being now eleven o'clock, & the interview being appointed for twelve, renders it impossible to do more, than to state the result of that which the Prince detailed at length to His Lordship, that result is, that the information the Prince has received from Quarters upon which he is bound to place the most implicit reliance makes it impossible for Him to believe that the proposed interview could lead to that cordial, affectionate & lasting reconciliation, which the Lord Chancellor must recollect was the able object which the Prince professed to have in view.

Deeply impressed with a sense of the consequences that might result from any but the most satisfactory meeting with His Majesty, having in the course of two months received as one mark of kindness, <sup>returning</sup> for which He had so anxiously wished, & being extremely agitated, & even indisposed by  
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Continued state of suspense in which he has so long been kept,  
nothing but the certainty that he was to throw himself at the  
Feet of an affectionate Father could enable him, with safety to  
his own Character to appear before the King. Unhappily  
the Information he has recently received forbids him to look  
for the Kings Affection, & impreg'd with that most painful  
Idea, he thinks it most prudent to avoid an Interview, which  
might only irritate a mind, it has been the most anxious  
wish of his Heart to soften & Conciliate. May God  
grant that the Prince may soon have reason to believe that  
kinder Sentiments prevail. The Prince can only add  
his regret that the Lord Chancellor declines making this  
Communication to His Majesty in Person.

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Copy. 2<sup>d</sup> Note which was sent.

The extreme agitation into which the near approach of the Interview with His Majesty has thrown the Prince, under the circumstances which have recently come to His Knowledge, has created a Degree of Indisposition which renders it impossible for Him to present Himself before the King this Day. The Prince entreats the Lord Chancellor to make this Communication to His Majesty.

Carlton House  
Aug. 22<sup>d</sup> 1804

(Answer)

22<sup>d</sup> Aug 1804  
3 P.M.

The Lord Chancellor has the Honour to inform His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales that He has received His Majesty's Authority to express to the Prince his sorrow at his being unwell, and that, in consequence of this, His Majesty will postpone his Interview with the Prince of Wales till his return from Weymouth.

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