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HRH to Lord Chancellor

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The Prince of Wales has received the Note of the ~~Lord~~ Chancellor in which he ^{Lordship} appears to Decline to lay before His Majesty the Answer which the Lord Chancellor received from the Prince to the Communication made to him thro' the Lord Chancellor by Command of His Majesty.

The Lord Chancellor has only to refer to that Answer to observe that the Prince never doubted his Lordship's Assertion that the Communication in Question was made by Command of His Majesty, the presumed Error therefore of the Prince in this respect can afford no ground for the Chancellors declining ^{continuing to} or deferring to communicate the Prince's answer. At the same time the Prince desires it to be most distinctly understood that in returning the Paper transmitted by the Lord Chancellor, nothing is so distant from the Prince's Feeling and intention as to be guilty of the least Disrespect towards his Majesty, or to ^{depart} fail in the slightest degree ^{from} that Dutiful & Grateful Attention with which the Prince must ever entertain any Communication coming from his Majesty. ^A But the Prince feels himself bound explicitly to declare that he cannot entertain any Proposition which has for its preliminary

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the Idea that the Prince is to Relinquish the Care, Custody
& Education of His Daughter. However solicitous He may be
as He has ever been ^{to meet His Majesty's wishes &} to have the Benefit of His Majesty's
Gracious Advice & Counsel upon this most important and
interesting Subject. The Prince is compelled to add
that after the very ^{full} ~~distinct~~ explanations which have
passed upon this ^{Point} ~~subject~~ between the Earl of Moira on the
Part of the Prince, & the Lord Chancellor & Mr Pitt He
did not expect that His Majesty could have remained
so uninformed of the Prince's Sentiments, ~~in this respect~~
as to have Commanded the Lord Chancellor to transmit
to the Prince ^B ~~the paper referred to~~. With regard to
what has ~~occurred~~ in the Interviews of Lord Moira with the
Lord Chancellor or Mr Pitt, the Prince places the most
implicit reliance on the Representations Verbal & Written
~~made to him~~ of what passed in those Interviews ~~made to him~~ by Lord
Moira to whom the Prince will immediately communicate
the Letters of the Lord Chancellor & Mr Pitt, and by whom
alone misunderstandings, if any such have in fact
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Observe, as His Majesty has never once ^{been pleased to} ~~sent~~ to the Prince
 on this important subject, nor to the Earl of Moira in the
~~audience~~ ^{audience} ~~interview~~ with which his Majesty honours him. That
 if the Lord Chancellor & Mr Pitt decline to return to his
 Majesty such reply as the Prince humbly conceives
 himself bound to make to propositions convey'd thro them,
 the ^{the} ~~apparent~~ ^{launched appearance of} disrespect towards the King can in no
 degree be imputed to the Prince.

Prince desirous
 The Lord Chancellor ^{to} communicate this
 Note to Mr Pitt.

Carlton House
 Nov. 30th 1754

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Ms. B.

The Prince of Wales

The Lord Chamberlain

Nov. 30th 1807

Wm Pitt