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Lady De Clifford and the Bishop of Exeter having now entered upon the important Functions committed to them, The Prince is desirous that they should, from time to time, lay before His Majesty such Ideas as occur to Him as to the Details necessary for carrying into Execution the general Principle adopted respecting the Education of Princess Charlotte. This Memorandum is therefore intended to apprise them of the general State of the Business, and to serve as a Guide for them in such Conversations as His Majesty may honour them with on this Subject.

In consequence of some previous Intimation which The Prince had received of His Majesty's Wishes, The Prince has expressed, that, without meaning to discharge Himself in any degree of that Duty of Superintendance and Control, which Nature imposes on a Father,

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in all that relates to the Education of his Child, He was at the same time desirous of receiving, the Benefit of His Majesty's gracious Advice and Assistance in a Matter so interesting to His Feelings, and of giving to Princess Charlotte the full Advantages of that affectionate Interest which His Majesty is graciously pleased to take in Her Welfare. But Reasons, which it is not necessary here to particularize, compelled The Prince to require that the Persons, thro' whom this Communication was made, should respectfully, but distinctly, explain to His Majesty, The Prince could on no Account agree to the Interference of any other Person whatever, but His Majesty, in the dispositions to be made upon the Subject. And that this Point must at all times be considered as the indispensable Condition of The Prince's Consent to any Arrangement, present, or future.

What has hitherto been done on the Subject, has, as The Prince conceives, been intended to be regulated by this Principle. The next Point to be adjusted, for giving effect to it, is that which relates to the Residence of The Princess Charlotte. On which Subject The Prince desires that Lady

De Clifford and the Bishop will submit to His Majesty, for His gracious Consideration, the following Ideas.

The Prince thinks, that during the period of the Year in which He is usually resident in London, His Daughter can no where so properly be placed as under Her Father's Roof, where Her Education might be carried on without Interruption, and where He Himself will have the constant Opportunity of observing its Course and Progress. His Majesty's habit of doing Business in London, several days in each Week, during that part of the Year, will afford to The Princess Charlotte ample Opportunities of paying Her Duty there to The King and Queen, as often as they may be pleased to require it. And it is by no means The Prince's Idea that this Arrangement should exclude such short Visits to Windsor, during the Seasons of the Holidays, or on other temporary Occasions, as may be found not to break in too much upon Her Education.

During those months, when The Prince is not usually resident in London, He would have great Satisfaction in His Daughter's being

allowed to reside at Windsor or Weymouth, or
elsewhere, reserving to Himself, in the same
manner as is above stated, the Pleasure of seeing
Her sometimes, if He should wish it, on short
and occasional Visits.

The Communications already made to Lady
De Clifford seem to give every Reason to hope that
these Ideas are very little, if at all, different
from those entertained by His Majesty upon the
Subject. And, at all Events, The Prince is confident
that they cannot fail to be considered as fresh
proofs of His respectful desire to meet His
Majesty's Wishes, in every Way consistent
with His Honour, & with the Feelings of paternal
Duty & Affection towards His Daughter.

Carleton House, March 4th 1705.

Draft,
from The Prince of Wales
4th March 1705.