

Enclosure.

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at Lord North's
on 4th 1775.

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At Lord North's Downing Street January 18th 1775.

Present

Lord Chancellor	Lord Suffolk
Lord President	Lord Sandwich
Lord Privy Seal	Lord Weymouth
	Lord North.

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Lord Suffolk communicated to the Lords present a minute of Lord Amherst's Opinion concerning the most proper mode, and the necessary Force, for carrying on the War in North America; which was taken yesterday morning at Lord North's by some of the Lords of the Council and is annexed to this minute.

The Lords are of opinion that 1000 Men should be sent as soon as the season will admit to New found Land and a Company not short of 500 Men to the Bermudas.

That 2500 Men should be sent as soon as possible to Halifax, and that the reinforcement should be composed of the two new Corps which shall be the first raised, and an Old Battalion, if an old Corps can be spared from Great Britain.

That

That the Admiralty do give immediate orders for
preparing the Transport & Vessels necessary for conveying
these reinforcements to their respective destinations.