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Lord Moira to HRH

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(Princess Charlotte)

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Sir

On the point of setting out  
for Scotland, it strikes me that I ought not  
to quit London without leaving with your  
Royal Highness a brief recapitulation of  
what has passed between Mr Pitt & me, lest  
a loose recollection in a more distant day should  
represent any part incorrectly. In the first  
interview with Mr Pitt, I asked if he understood



distinctly that, as the Reconciliation was sought  
without any stipulation on your part, there was  
not to be any implied condition attaching to  
your Royal Highness. Mr Pitt answered that  
the matter was to stand clearly on that point.

I observed, that your Royal Highness had pro-  
-posed to convene with a number of the Mem-  
-bers of both Houses in opinion upon particu-  
-lars which had appeared to you of the high-  
-est importance to the Public Good, & that  
it was impossible for you to depart from such



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might a pledge. This, I remarked, was a matter  
 was which the King should understand as reserved  
 you from any influence of the domestic reunion  
 between His Majesty & your Royal Highness.

In a subsequent interview, I explained  
 the alarm your Royal Highness had taken  
 at a report, corroborated by the marked in-  
 -tercourse at that juncture between the King  
 & Prince of Wales, that His Majesty meant to  
 arrange with the Prince of Wales the esta-  
 -blishment & system of management for



Princeps Charlotte. I said, Your Royal Highness  
had been privately informed that the King was  
willing to make a proposal to you for mar-  
-rying Princeps Charlotte more immediately under  
his eye but was restrained by the difficulty  
of reconciling such a suggestion with the de-  
-licacy which he felt due towards you: That  
Your Royal Highness, as a proof of your assid-  
-ous devotion & affectionate regards to grati-  
-fy the King, had spontaneously stepped forward  
to relieve His Majesty from this embarrassment.  
That you had declared your readiness to accept



the King's wishes on this subject; but that you had thought yourself bound to mark the condition of its being to His Majesty exclusively such a trust could be submitted by you. I observed that the meaning of the phrase, altho' it had been intentionally so covered as to avoid all insidious appearance, could not really be misunderstood; consequently that it would be a direct contravention of terms specifically expressed were the plan in fact to be left to the Princess of Wales. I represented that your royal



Highness / However great the pain would be with  
which you should do any thing necessary to  
the King / would feel yourself constrained to de-  
-cline to let the Princess Charlotte be removed  
from your immediate guidance whilst such a  
Project could be supposed in agitation. I took  
the liberty of most anxiously deprecating any  
step which could render necessary such a re-  
-sual with its consequent discussions. I told  
Mr Pitt that at any rate the appearance of con-  
-ultation which had taken place made your



to a direct interference respecting Princess Charlotte; and I think the expression I used was  
that you must feel it your duty to hold one  
head of her while the King held the other.

Mr Pitt assured me with great earnestness,  
and I am sure with perfect sincerity, of his  
conviction that the King never had the notion  
of taking any step respecting Princess Charlotte  
without your entire concurrence; adding that  
he was satisfied the first measure on the part



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of the King would be to lay before your Royal  
Highness in writing, for your consideration,  
what struck him as expedient on the subject

Mr Pitt, to whose candour & frankness I ought  
to bear the fullest testimony, expressed great  
solicitude that these arrangements & your  
Royal Highness's future intercourse with  
the King might be of a tenor the most gra-  
tifying to you; in a very liberal manner  
disclaiming any pretension to merit with your  
Royal Highness for endeavouring to promote



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in the royal family that harmony which  
he felt it the peculiar duty of his station  
to advance with every possible attention.

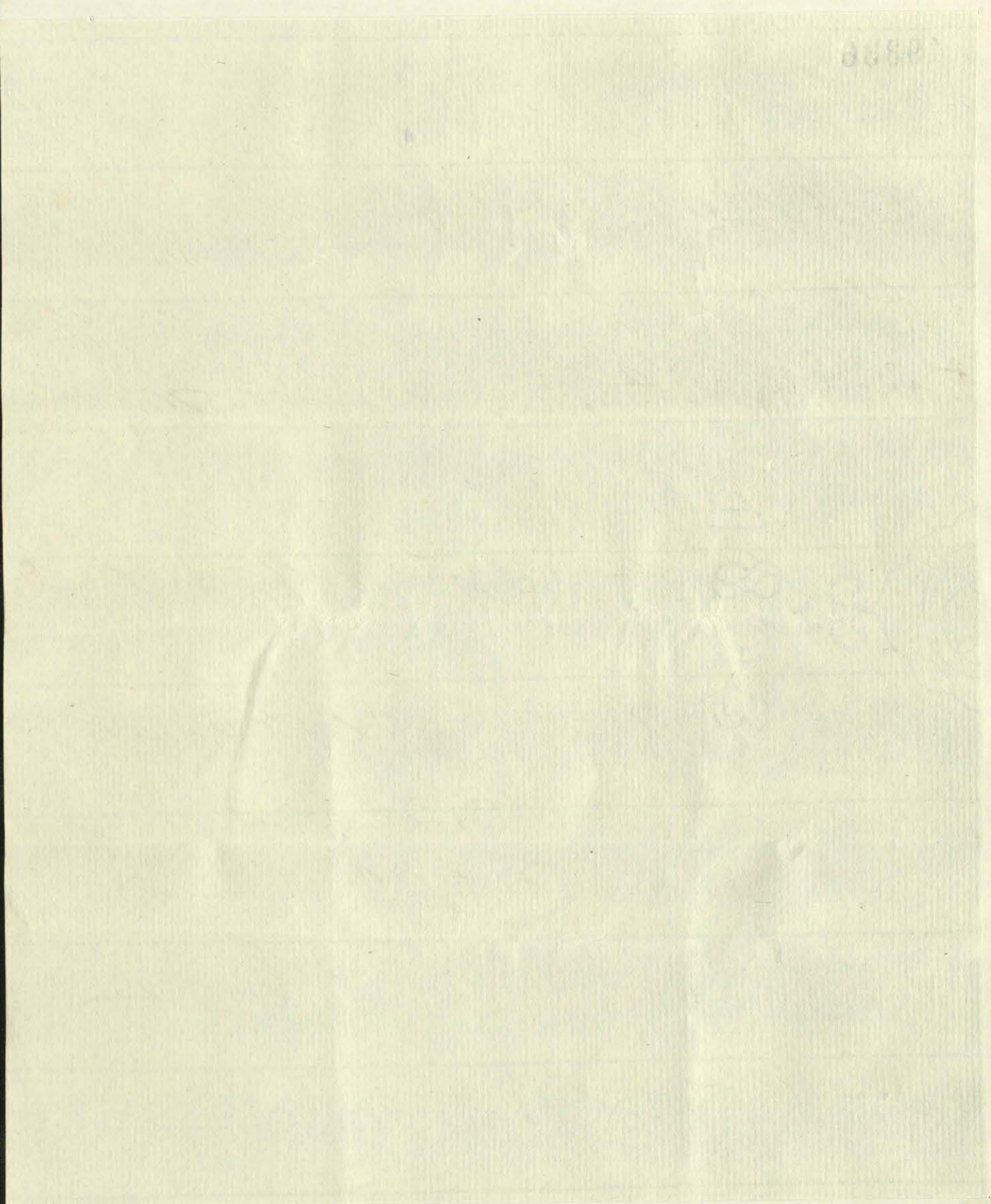
I remain, Sir, with profound  
respect

Your royal Highness's  
most devoted &  
dutiful servants  
Theirs

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The Prince of Wales  
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