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Duchess of Württemberg

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Sir

Thinking Your Majesty
will be uneasy when you hear that
my Sister in Law Prince Ferdinand
has left us and is gone to Munster, on
hearing the report that the French
intend marching through the Dutchy
I take up my Pen to assure you that
as far as human Providence can guide us
I am perfectly safe, her being the
Wife of an Austrian General at this
the case and at a moment like this
was I parted from my Husband I
should be watched, he has however insisted
on my promising him to be guided
by his directions and if he has the

most distant idea of my being exposed
to any thing unpleasant I am then to
leave him, but we trust in God that
I shall not have this misfortune. The
Duke says he owes your Majesty as
well as himself the taking every possible
care of me. My Agitation would be dread-
ful was I at a distance but out of love
to him I shall do every thing to spare
his feelings. - I trust in God every
thing will turn out for the best, some
days ago I was low with the thought
of what might happen but now that
the decisive moment approaches I am
perfectly calm and rely that Providence
will do what ever is right. - I must
own that in moments like the
present I think it absolute duty

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to remain on the spot and the
attachment all Pranks shew the
Duke must ever attach me to this
Country - I believe that much mischief
universally would have been prevented
if every body had remained till the
last moment in the situation it had
pleas'd God to place them in.

My Heart bleeds for this poor Country
which is so happy in itself and
where I have met with so much
affection

The Duke begs that I will present
his humble duty to Gr^{ts} Majesty. I
will write soon again and have the
honour to be with the greatest
respect

Your Majesty's
Most dutiful Daughter
and devoted Subject Charlotte

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Charles & Catherine

March 3. 1799.