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Pittsburgh April 8th 1777 -

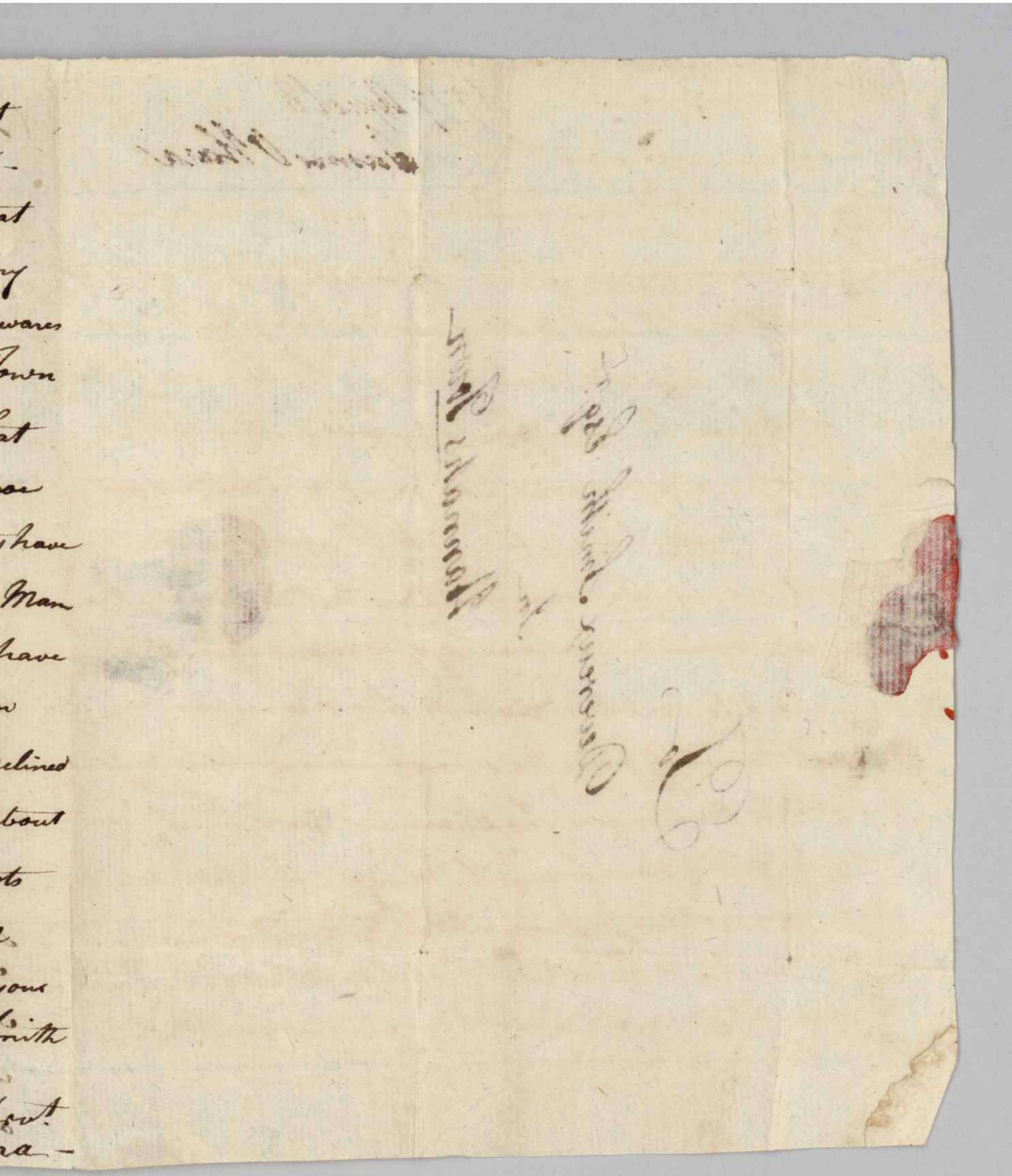
Dear Sir

I arrived here yesterday evening from the Indian Country and must say that I have great reason to Sus==pect that numbers of the Savages are determined to Annoy our Frontiers as much as they dare —

On the 2nd day of this month as I was preparing to Start with my Horses from the Moravian Town. there were three Runners arrived from Tuscarawas about thirteen Short Miles off. with Intelligence that there were a Party of Eighteen. consisting of fifteen Mingoes, two Shawneese & one Windot at that place on their way to War and that they intended to come for the Ministers and Other White People who live with the Moravians upon which all the White people of the upper Town fled that night to the principle Delaware Town. however I Stayed till next morning and got two of the Moravian Indians to go meet the Warriors and find out if possible what they intended to do. we got for answer that they looked on themselves as free Men that had no King nor Chief —

therefore would do as they pleased and that in the first place they would visit the neighbourhood of Fort Pitt - they then set off from Tuscarawas and as I knew that I certainly must have fallen in with them if I following my course I thought best to send my Horses by the Delawares and came Home myself & Man by way of the Mingoe Town on the Ohio - I was informed by good Authority that a Party of Sixty Sons who had gone some time ago to the Kentucky have returned to Pluggy's Town they have brought only one Prisoner and have lost a Shawny Man they have again held a Council of War and Seventy have turned out to visit the Big River. the Munsies have in general turned off from the Delawares and are much inclined to listen to the Mingoes. the Shawnees are divided about one half of them have Joined the Mingoes, the Wiandots seem more inclined for peace. I have nothing further Material to communicate at present but that I have lost one of your Buckles. please make my best compliments to Mrs Smith Miss Polly & the Rest of your family - I am

Sir your Humb. Servt.
James O'Hara -



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