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[Samuel Chase to Council.]

Gentlemen

Baltimore Town Jan<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1777.

I am directed by Congress to lay the enclosed copy of a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Bingham before our General Assembly.

The privates of Capt<sup>ns</sup> Smith's Company petitioned the Congress and I am ordered to enclose the papers to your Board.

I am, Respectfully  
Your obedient Servant  
S. Chase

The Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council of Safety  
at Annapolis

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Thursday, January 30. 1777.

Council met. Present as on yesterday, except M<sup>r</sup> Jenifer.

Ordered That the Western Shore Treasurer pay to Beriah Maybury two hundred and ten Pounds two Shillings and a Penny.

That the said Treasurer pay to L<sup>t</sup> John Jeremiah Jacobs for the use of Capt. Andrew Hynes seven hundred Dollars.

That the said Treasurer pay to Robert Reynolds thirty eight Pounds ten Shillings: Also the further Sum of forty four Shillings and six Pence.

Adjourned till next Day 10 O'Clock.

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[Charles Rumsey to Council.]

Gentlemen

Cecil County Jan<sup>y</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1777.

By your letter of the twenty sixth Inst. I received the Resolve of Congress wherein they request that there should be thirty six privates commanded by two commissioned officers (with four Sergeants and four corporals. These privates believe me, will take all the officers of the company to get them in the service, and am apprehensive that must be done by force, which the convention of this Province have not given a licence to do, altho' if the officers are allowed to each Company, it will strengthen our hands.

In your last you desire my giving marching orders to my Battalion which I do this day, that they may be ready at the Head of Elk on Wednesday next for that purpose of joyning Gen<sup>l</sup> Washington. But Gentlemen, a Body of men will not march without necessaries and money, which we are not supplied with.

Col<sup>o</sup> Hollingsworth will present this letter and can give every necessary information relative to our Battalion.

I am, Gentlemen,  
Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Hum<sup>ble</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Charles Rumsey.

Honble Council of Safety of  
Maryland