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Neither Shall he obtaine procure or accept of any Land within this Province from any Indian to his own or the use of any other then of the Lord Proprietarie or his heirs nor shall hold or possess any land within this Province by Virtue of such Grant upon pain that every person offending to the contrary hereof Shall forfeit and lose to the Lord Proprietarie and his heirs all Such Lands so accepted or held without Grant of the Lord Proprietarie or under him This Act to Continue to the end of the next Generall Assembly

#### An Act for Trade with the Indians

Whereas the Crowne of England (by right of first discovery) became Lord and Possessor of this Province and other Countries thereunto adjoyning so that no Subject of his Majesties or any other foreigne Prince or State whatsoever might or could Lawfully come into these parts to trade with the Indians thereof without leave or lycense from or under the said Crowne of England (according as his Majesties said right is practised allowed and acknowledged in all other parts so accrewing to the said Crown by right of discovery)

And Whereas His Majestie being so possessed by his Letters Pattents to the Right Honourable Cecilius Lord Baltimore Granted and Confirmed unto the said Cecilius all this Province with all rights thereunto belonging (saveing only the Sovereigne allegiance due to the Crown of England) and him the said Cecilius did create and constitute Absolute Lord and Proprietarie thereof who by Virtue of his said of his said Lordship after possession taken of this Province did by publique proclamation prohibite all persons whatsoever from tradeing with any Indians of this Province without leave or lycense from or under his said Lordship first had and obtained and certain Inhabitants thereof offending against the said Proclamation presumeing upon former Grants and Commissions from his Majestie have been punished and proceeded against for unLawfull tradeing without or before such leave and Lycence obtained and thereof complaining to the Kings Majestie where by him referred to the Lords of his Majesties most honourable Privy Councill for determing the right and justice of the said Complaints which said Lords after full hearing and debating of the cause have ordered and Confirmed the said Lord Proprietaries said right of sole tradeing with the Indians of this Province declareing that no trade with the said Indians ought to be within the precincts of his Lordships Pament without Lycence from his Lordship (as by the said order bearing date at Whitehall 4<sup>th</sup> Aprill 1638 may appear)