

Hartford May 26th 1787

Sir

I do myself the honour to acquaint your Excellency, that having received late Intilgence, certain persons from the County of Berkshire & other places had come into the northwestern parts of of this State, & were endeavouring to raise Insurrections & Inciting the people to Join & aid the late Insurgents in Massachusetts; I judged it proper to communicate the Same, to the legislature now Sitting in this City; They were pledged to pass a Special Resolve upon the Question, a Copy of which is herewith enclosed.

In pursuance of this Resolve, I gave Immediate orders to Gen^l Swift, to call forth sufficient Military force, if upon the best Information, he should Judge a military force necessary, to quell the disturbers; & effectually prevent any persons in this State, from Joining, or any way aiding the Insurgents, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Col. [Comfield] also proceeded Immediately to Litchfield, Norfolk, and Sharon, & in consequence of these proceedings [Nesbuth], Barns, & Mitchell are apprehended with some others, & now Confined; Some of the Suspected persons had fled before Col. [Comfield] arrived.

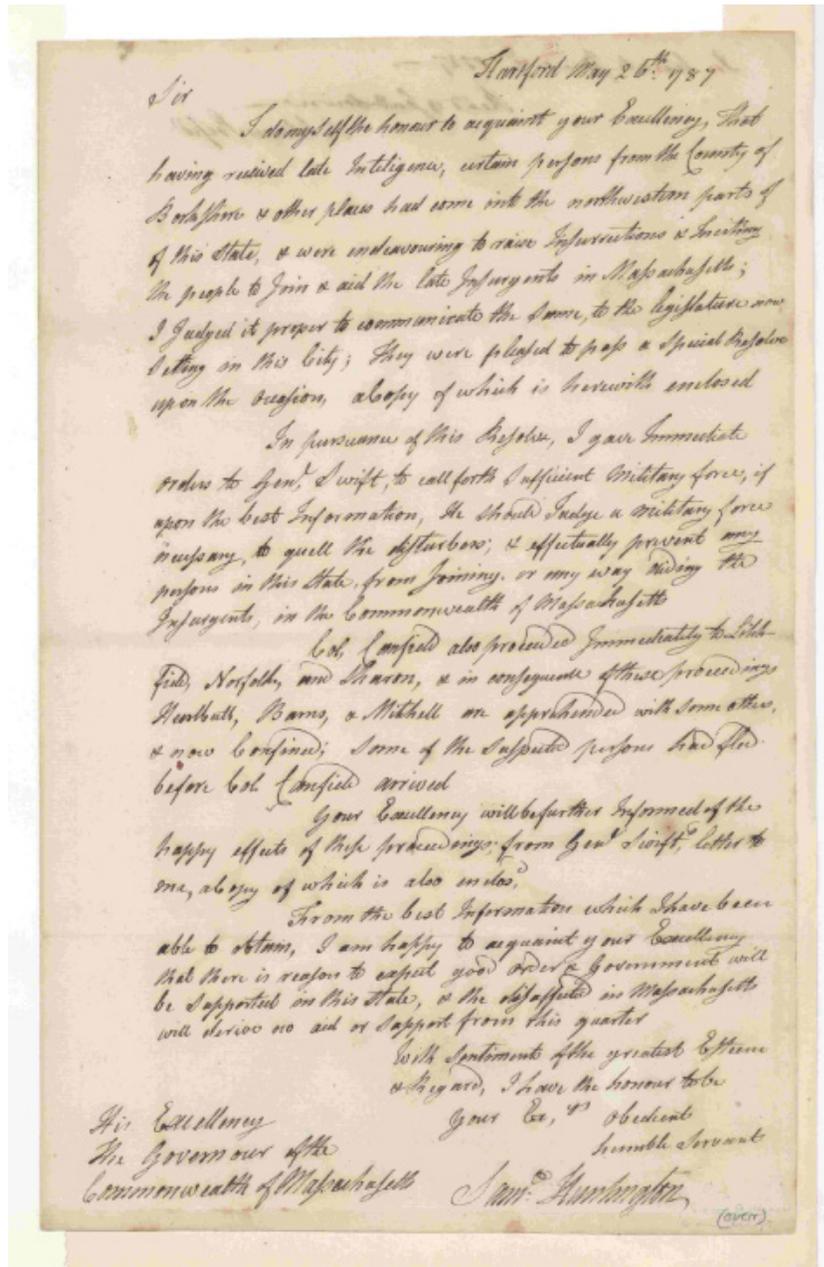
Your Excellency will be further Informed of the happy effects of these proceedings; from Gen^l Swift's letter to me, a copy of which is also enclosed.

From the best Information which I have been able to obtain, I am happy to acquaint your Excellency that there is reason to expect good order & Government will be Supported in this State, & the disaffected in Massachusetts will derive no aid or Support from this quarter

With Sentiments of the greatest Esteem & Regard, I have th honour to be your [??],^{vr} obedient humble Servant

His Excellency
the Governour of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Sam^l Huntington



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