

give rise and to prove to all the Nations the interest I take in everything that concerns my Children and How pleased I am to have them live in Peace and harmony like true brothers. I have taken the decision and have determined to light a new fire and to place the huron near me. I think this precaution should put an end to all alarms and resentment, and that, Considering the Spirit by which I am guided, you will act in accordance with my Intentions and will part good brothers, giving one another mutual proofs of a thorough friendship.

By this present I establish my word, I make the sky serene over your villages, I cleanse your Hearts; I make the Roads smooth and practicable BY THIS COLLAR, so that you may always come and see me in all security, for, although you are far away, I hold you in my heart like those who are near me.

As to Thee, MEKINAC, to prove to thee that I have paid heed to thy request and to make known to thee my satisfaction with thee and with those whom thou hast mentioned to me, I send to Monsieur De Noyan the Marks of distinction thou hast asked of me for Them. I flatter myself that these Fresh favors from me will Induce you to strive more and more for Good and to have no other heart than mine.

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1741: INSTRUCTIONS TO CHEVALIER DE BEAUHARNOIS

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*Memorandum to serve as Instructions to the Sieur Chevalier de Beauharnois, Captain of a Company of the Troops of this Country, whom we have detached to remove the hurons of Detroit, according to the requests they have made to us, and to take the savages of Sault St. Louis and of the Lake of Two Mountains, who are to go with him to invite them to come down here.*

The chief care of the Sieur Chevalier de Beauharnois shall be to exercise great Circumspection during the journey with regard to the savages under his Guidance.