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Resolutions 89. 1680 [89. 3231-cont'd]

Sabbathi 20 January 1680
"Report of Bevigues of Paris"

Mercurii 24 January 1680
Do. do. [Bevigues confirmed rappd].

Paris 21 March 1680
Letter.
Assembly of X
Equipage of Planters.

Paris the 4th ~~March~~ July 1680. D.A.C.

Memorial Lentz ~~Lentz~~ — Read in Assembly the fair memorial of Mr President ~~Lentz~~ Lentz wherewith an amenee incoming

Ship Jaffr Cornelia. The ship de Jaffr Cornelia captured & confiscated by the Dis of the WIC.

inserted here ~~verb~~ ~~verb~~ verbatim :-
[in French].

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The undersigned minister of the King of Denmark
knows not finds himself obliged to represent
to Y. Excellency. that after so many memories
that have been presented to him on the subject
of the vessel Cornelia unjustly taken &
confiscated by the W.I.C. & after so many
deductions & remonstrances which have been
made to them on the enormity of the
procédé such which the sd vessel a esté
en levé, dans l'ocean meme, without any
regle or justice. Its loyalty s'était attendue
that Y. Excellency would have obliged the sd
Cy to give a deme satisfaction to
his subjects interested in the afsd ship for the
exessive damage & loss suffered that they have
suffered by its unjust procedure, instead
of seeing que elle n'ont fait insinuer
a son ministre sussigné pour toute reponse
q'une deduction fort ample de la dite
Compe W.I.C. in which it tache to palliate
its conduite by raisons assez ill founded.
But as this deduction contains nothing but that
which has been exposé auparavant, et surquoi
il a esté sufficiently answered by these

interested in the ship Cornelia. Elle ne peut estre envisagée que comme ~~un~~ un delay qu'on cherche pour gagner du temps et pour traisner l'affaire, selon la coûtume ordinaire of the W.I.C. which, when elle se fait ~~saisir~~ saisir the vessels & goods of other nations s'étudie by delays ill founded, & unjust pretexts in elude justice dont, entre autres, le Africain Coy of Glückstadt which has been sentence rejected par celle ~~of~~ cy peut servir d'example, car bien que par de certains traités on soit convenu, que cette affaire devrait estre decidée par des arbitres, et que Frederick King of Denmark, of glorious memory en ait nommé de son costé il y a plus de quinze ans la dite ~~Coy~~ W.I.C. a ~~toutes~~ toute fois ~~sceu~~ sceû si bien tourner l'affaire, that up to the present Y. Honors. have not executed the so hostile vessels & great number of this Majesty's subjects have been ruined & reduced to beggary (beggary)."

In order to avoid ~~such~~ ~~and~~ a like sad happening to those interested in the ship Cornelia & in order not to give lieû to the W.I.C. to chercher new delays, ils ont

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voulu. Bien que la justice de leur cause
ait este assez amplement deduite i des
reflx presentes le 9 Octobre ou 13 January 1674.
de nouveau faire voir leur droits dans
le reflexe ci jointe [ici ci dessus] a la deduction above
mentionné et de faire connoistre en meme temps
l'injustice toute wrong des lors dans cette.

The W.I.C. have taxed de fonder des injust
confiscations which they it has done to the
ship i question upon the three following points:

1. That the Luie a eu des sujets hollandois
who have been interested i de ship Cornelio,
& who had had share i her cargo [part de sa charge]

2. That Holland subjects were found i
the said vessel

3. That the ship trafficked & traded
i prohibited ports.

Pour repondre en peu de paroles sur ces trois
arguments, et pour en faire voire la millité
on ne peut pas

1. Prouver qu'il y ait eu Hollanders interested
i de above mentioned vessel un tel they had "part
dans sa charge" Cell dit les Coy alleges
la dessus only consists i cavill bagatelles en argument

où en les hardes of sailors, a l'insu conteste of those interested in the said ship, & Y Honors will sufficiently judge, according to their equité ordinaire que ce serait une chose inouie to wish to confiscate, for that, the ship & her cargo.

2. Touching the Holland subjects qui se sont trouvés in the ship Cornelie, bien que the W.I.C. after a long research has only found four who were born in Holland ils ont pourtant tout quatre été Bourgois de Bergue in Norway, ce qui a été assez prouvé by the attestations of the Magistrate of cette Ville.

Y Honors will please to consider what would be the consequence if, in order to find four subjects of Denmark or Norway in a Holland vessel it was wished for that, to confisquer it & its cargo also: & ce qu'elles jugeroient si on traitoit leur sujets as one has done to the one named van Staal who was in the ship Cornelie, et qu'on assure être mort du mauvais traitement qu'on lui a fait pendant la prison.

Ses Majesty has much more reason to demand

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89. de libération de Capitn Lorentz Rolufsen who is his subject born i Norway & effectivement engagé dans son service, lequel pourtant non obstant le passe port de Hs Majsty a este enlevé with the sd ship.

Pour ce qui est du 3d Point me cannot find that the vessel Cornelia has traded in the prohibited ports, fa the peu de traffic qu'il a fait along the coast of Guinea en chemin faisant vers les forteresses Fredricks Burgh & Christians burg, belonging à Hs Majsty, has only been with the subjects, dependans of the W.I.C. but with the inhabitants of Guinea who are free & independant of the sd Coy.

The depositions of the witnesses examined pour cela fera voir that the vessel was at anchor at 2 lieues ~~from~~ de terre, which clearly shows that it was not found either before their forts nor in their havre: & if the Coy has the right to prevent the notre inhabitants of Guinea to trade en plaine mer, why who does it not do so: but if it has not the right pour cela how can it entreprendra ~~entreprendre~~ to confiscate ~~confiscate~~ neutral vessels

which takes the droit de gens have the liberty to traffic en pleine mer. ~~have~~

da Compe and after having captured the place called Strim n'a apres du lieu nommé Strim autre territori que ce qui est sous la portée du canon d'un petit fort qu'elle y a fait ~~construite~~ construire et dont il faut que elle paye le louage du fond, par où il paroist tres clairement that it has not de jurisdiction dans ce pais la. Et qu'elle allegue fort mal les exemples de ce qui se practique in de countries depending of Spain & in de Islands of Island & Ferroe. Personne n'ignorant that Spain has entire Kingdoms & their subjects in her power: those countries: that de provinces of Island & de Ferroe have been depuis plusieurs siècles incontestably under de jurisdiction of Denmark.

From all ~~these~~ there circumstances & pas les ~~raisons~~ raisons alleged above & more fully deduced in de annexed reply it will appear evident that de WIC has no good reason to allege to justify an action so violent as that of taking, contrary to all right justice,

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enlevé en plein mer & confisqué a ship carrying the passports & privileges of his Majty belonging to his subjects & it is pour cela dit his Majty entirely persuaded that S. Ho Mo will give vigorous redressing order a ce en que le Sr C. ~~a~~ ~~donne~~ written o certificate & d'ordre written & merits given to clear interested : the Ship. C — full & entire satisfaction all that which they will have le droit to claim : but if this business is not then achevée his Majty voice finds himself indispensably obliged de s'y interesser effectually & de se servir pour la defense & l'indemnation of his subjects qui y ont part, & des moyens qui en pareilles rencontres ~~doit~~ are allowed according to droit des gens.

The undersigned Minister hopes however the S. Ho Mo feront la dessus une reflexion due, et qu'elle rendroit such justice sur the unique proceedings of the Sr Cz that d'autres de leurs subjects ne patissent ~~pas~~ suffer inocemment pourquoi de l'irregularité de sa conduite. C'est pourquoi the undersigned attend a prompt & good resolution a des lois able to inform the King

his Majestie

Done at the Hague ye 4th July 1680.

(5d) C Lente.

Upon which being deliberated is found good & resolved that ofd memorial shall be sent to Boys of WIC. at Bras: Chr. of Brust. : ~~who hear believe~~ to send the writing to this Ho. wherein they have to state against it, ~~to examine the same~~ the same report as speedily as possible or at the latest within 8 days after the receipt of this. And nevertheless that copy of ofd memorial with annexes shall be placed in hands of her Ecy & the other two Mrs/Deputies for the affairs of the WIC to examine affairs of the WIC to examine, which relaters ~~report~~ ... report thereon.

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Joris 1st Augt 1680. Pres

Resident Lente Ys read at Assembly the report
Ships Suffr government & the Boys of the WIC.
Cornelio. in compliance with - above resol:
of 4 July ... ... Coloniae Fano 1000
that ye said report be placed - hands of the Ecy ~~Mrs~~ ~~Deputies~~ ~~affairs~~ affairs of WIC. to exe... & report thereon.

[~~above this report commts be found in SG 5/05~~]

[The WIC's reply is noted on p 73 post. It was in similar terms to their 1st report about the Cornelia dd 8 June 1677, copied on pp 54-72 - which left them little more to say on the subject]

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Sam the 19th Sept 1680.

Benjamin Raule
the trading of the
Elector of Brandenb
on the Coasts of Guinea
& Angola.

Ds de Quenelly read a Memoire
for the bois of the W.I.C. at the
Assist making known that on
32d inst had come within lands
a letter written by Benjamin Raule
at Coningsberger on 23rd Augt ~~1680~~
last ... ... [vide Letter ~~post~~ infra p. 18] ... ...
upon which Bey was found good that copy be placed
in Lands of the Sect for the Hbles deps to
affairs of W.I.C. to see & report thereon

[St Gen 5785]

~~Hbles Hbles.~~

To the High Mighty lords States General of the United Netherlands

~~To the Hbles Sts of Hollde.~~

"Lectum 19 Sept 1680"

High Mighty lords.

The bois: of the Gen Chart of W.I.C. at the Amsterdam Chr cannot dutifully neglect back to remonstrate & make known to Hbs Mos that on the 3rd of this present month September, came into their hands under cover of one Otto Esigh from Hamburg, a letter written & signed by Benjamin Raule dated in Coningsbergen the 23rd August this year 1680, containing information of the intention of his Serene Highness the ~~Elr~~ Grand Elector of Brandenburg, that he was inclined to begin the trade on the C. of G. & Angola, to which end already 2 well-mounted frigates of Hs Hs. were ready to sent thither &

that they would be provided with soldiers for his requirements; requesting, besides, our advice & resolution (~~goedvinden~~), in order to carry on the common trade with better profit, whether we could also find it advisable that the Electors ships, encountering Holland inter lopers, should attack (~~aanvallen~~), carry away, & confiscate them, offering gladly to allow the same reciprocally to the Ships of the Coy: further advising of H.E.H.'s Commissies & Actions; the names of the ships & skippers & the persons belonging to the Coy: & that their intention was neither to incommode nor do injury to the Frech: Coy, but only to content themselves with the authority which belongs to (~~toegekeert~~) is inherent in H.E.H. Finally, that he, Raule, being entrusted with all matters of the sea, had thought it necessary to give information hereof, so that no misunderstanding might arise on the afd Coast; as Y Hon.rs will please to see in more detail from the accompanying copy. Which notification (~~aanzeggingen~~) has caused us no little suspicion (bedenking) more especially as it is established by the same that a trade will be commenced, not on the Coast of Africa generally, but specifically on the Coast of Guinea, where, nevertheless, the Chart. W.I.C. of this Country, is alone & "privative", to the exclusion & shutting out of all others, both Kings, Princes, & Potentates, by a right acquired by the Coy from the natives (inhabitants) of the country, is authorised to drive trade: bth as in that behalf was benevolently laid down [dient holden goedertierentlyck ter neder-gesteld). by Y. Ho. Mo. in very strong expressions, on 15th Decr 1660 & also on 16 Novr 1661, with regard to the subjects of His Majesty of Denmark; that the Commander of that time should be instructed that he will have to treat with all friendness & friendship the subjects of the King of Denmark coming there directly out of harbours standing under the authority (gebied) of the said King

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with ships equipped thereto under His Majesty's dominion, provided that the same Danish subjects abstain from those places where the W.I.C. of this country has forts or lodges: & then, shall on the other hand, those of the sd W.I.C. will be maintained & vindicated in the Charter granted to the sd Coy, as also by the Placcades successively issued for the strengthening thereof, dated 24 May 1624, 14 June 1632, & (sic) 1654.

And all that, notwithstanding that the D.A.C. has its own place named Frederiksborg on the C. of G., where the subjects of H.S.H. not only have with any fort a lodge on the C of Guinea, but also no place even on the whole Coast of Africa. Indeed it appears from the letter from Raule itself, that the trade once first be begun on the Coasts of Guinea & Angola. And our suspicions about it are much more increased that in order to begin a trade, it is asserted (pretended) that it will not be driven with any inconvenience or damage to the Neth. W.I.C. but is represented [represent] will be done with 2 well-manned frigates provided with soldiers from regiments of his serene Highness the Grand Elector of Brandenburg, & to content themselves with the "much" which H.S.H. "competent".

To all this being added (by Hamide) that the persons carrying out the same design are the aforenamed Benjamin Raule, writer of the letter, to him, as he says, being entrusted all matters of the sea, together with the mentioned skippers, Joris Bartelsen, & Philip Pietersz Blouck, both all subjects of this State, & who come to betake themselves into that service directly contrary to Y. Ho. Mo's aforementioned Placcades, and particularly that one, most lately issued, of 29th January 1675, which is expressly

and laid down (tho' undergestelt) that each & every subject & inhabitant of this country, of whatsoever condition or quality he may be, especially sea-faring men, hiring & betalling himself to such services, all such transgressors shall incur the penalty of being eternally banished & their goods confiscated: and further, that being found in the service & on such foreign, or other private ships outside the afd Chartered Company's ships, they shall be seized, and arrested & the penalties & punishments prescribed in the respective placcades, shall be decreed & executed against their persons & goods, which was extended to the death penalty: and, indeed, specially, quod notandum, that the inhabitants or other subjects of this country or others who have been in the service of the Chart. W.I.C. shall not be exempted from the placcades & the penalties strictly enacted, and the death penalty, by change of residence or any other means whatsoever. All which aforementioned dangers & "menaces", whatever pretext the same may have, or whatever name also be given them, have caused us much deep consideration, and we consider not without reason also, that we have taken the liberty therefore, in the interest & welfare of the Company, to wave & importune Y. Ghothos' more weighty & needful activities tho (besicheden), to wave & lay these threats (tot Vallen) that are threatening us, before Y. Ghothos, both in order to await Y. Ghothos' commands in the direction of our affairs on the Coast, & what precautions ought tobe taken about them, & necessary orders given for the prevention of all misunderstandings which are about stand tobe feared from well-mounted ships on Coasts of Trade, and

1680/89 respectfully to beg Y Hs Mo. to devise such salutary means for the welfare of the Coy, as Y Hs Mo. in your high wisdom shall find good & judge fitt proper.

In the name of the Directors foresaid
(sd) John ~~Altheus~~ Altheusius. [Advocate of Sec]

The accompanying letter is as follows:

"Copy"

Sers.

As his Serene Highness the Grand Elector of Brandenburg is disposed to begin the trade on the Coasts of Guinea & Angola to which end HSH. my most precious Elector & master has already has two-well-mounted frigattes ready to send thither, & has provided the same with some soldiers of his regiments, I have therefore wished to acquaint YHH therewith thereof, in order to learn whether YHH would be able to find good, in order to prosecute the common trade with better profit, than on the Elector's ships & encountering on those Coasts any Holland interlopers, with provided with the commission of the Neth. WIC., whether we shall carry them off (weguemen) & confiscate them, when HSH. will gladly (gaarn) allow the same to the sd Company, in our regard, reciprocally. All our ships which shall navigate there, are provided with

HSHs' commission with the great seal & therein the Grand Electoral Instructions signed with his own hand. The one ship is named "Wapen van Brandenbragh", Captn Joris Bartelsen (Bartelsz), the other "Moriaan", Captn Philips Pieterszn Blonck (Blonck). YHHH can be well assured that no subject of this country will be permitted to trade there unless he is included in that Company & who shall have the necessary papers.

We shall also not incommode the Netherlands Company nor do it injury, contenting ourselves alone with the authority which is inherent in His Serene Highness ~~made [illegible] HHH~~ "competent". and as all matters of the sea have been entrusted to me, I have therefore considered it necessary to acquaint YHHH therewith, so that no misunderstandings occur on the aforenamed Coasts. I shall be glad to have a "Wonende" favourable reply, and always endeavour (Goedten) to remain

YHHHs' servant
(sgd) B. Raule.

Koningsbergh the 23rd August
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~~To [illegible]~~
To the most Hon. de Directeurs of the Authorised WIC at the Chamber of Amsterdam.

[who expressed himself roundly not only about the expiration of the period of which had been allowed for postponement of the expulsion asked for, but also that this should not be refused him, as appeared from the notification made to the Directors of the WIC & their reply to it. And as if the State Chancellor in conversation with him, had displayed anger & favoured the interested parties, if their Hs Mo. were not pleased to present it by prompt measures of satisfaction, he [Mocking] took the liberty, with permission, to remind their Hs Mo of the importance of the matter & of the complaints that were made there of about no reply reply whatever having come from them on the subject so that their Hs Mo, with their high wisdom & justice might be pleased to provide for it

Resolved to refer the letter to the deputies of their Hs Mos for the affairs of the WIC. to examine it & the previous papers & to report thereon.]

Solbothi the 28 September 1680

Envoy Meering — Recd a letter from Mr Meering DAC.
Memorie — Heer Holmos Geny Envoy with of the King
Ship Jeffr Cornelis — of Denmark written at Copenhagen the
19th inst containing advice, inter alia
that one of the merchants interested in the ship Jeffr. Cornelis
had been to his lodging [die breeck affgoff met
allen van de verkorpen terempo of three months die
van inlegtal waren genomen for the Vulcanen of the
Versochte refusals but also that the same would
now be refused him, en dat conde doen
blyken from the intimatie done to the Bois of the
W.I.C. at Brest, upon the reply thereto. And as in
the discourses of Mr Nijhs Counsellor sich allusies
een groote drift liet consien om aan sd interested
partij te gewalle te wesen if the Holmo was
not pleased to prevent it by prompt measures of
satisfaction, dat hij met desselvers permissie
de Vryheit sonde nemen van aan deselve
Heer Holmo het belang van deze saak
en de clagte dienaangaande aldaar voorwende van dat
geen antwoordt ter wederpartij wegens Heer Holmo
op de pretensie te van schepen quam, ontmoedelyk
dreigeren, ten einde Heer Holmo nogh beter

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high wisdom & equity would be pleased to make further order. — Resolved that extract of sd letter be placed in Lands of Leeuw ... (viz) for Holmes copy for officers of W.I.C. to examine, who rebutted & refuse answer.]

30th Sept 1680.

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Memorie made in name of Brandenburg on behalf of Lewis & Argole.

~~By exemption being deliberated~~ Deliberation being resumed on the memo for pass of W.I.C. at the Amst. ... [ut supra 19 Sept] ... ~~Resolved that copy be placed: lands of W Eck for Holmes copy for officers of W.I.C. to see & report answer.~~ Resolved that copy of memo & of letter from Benjamin Raule shall be sent to Mr van Amerongen this Holmes' Extry Envoy with the Elector of Brandenburgh in order for him to enquire exactly about the design of aforesd Raule & to inform this Holmes what he shall get to learn about it.

Sabbati 5th October 1680.

Mourning — Recd a Letter for our Mourning from Holles DAC.

Denmark — Acta Sess. at the King of Denmarks written

Three contested — at Copenhagen 24 Sept last reporting inter

ye ship Saffr — alia that ye Prince (?) Hus Chancellor

Cornelia — Back, on Princes orders of the King had visited

him for Mourning in order to "recommend" to

him once more on behalf of His Majty the matter of the ship

Cornelia & request that he mr mr. would second

His good intentions & represent to the Holles in

terms of the most emphatic indignation how impossible it

would be for His Majty, on pain or delay or slackness of the

expected satisfaction from that Holles or that subject,

not to proceed to such other measures of justice or

execution as his subjects interested in the sd ship

now were ofresh requesting, what was promised on their previous Petition

~~of the same~~ ~~of some~~ ~~happiness~~, where regret full

~~lack~~ it was matter

be to His Majty intitled in hand such or

means which could have had a of such consequence

whereupon he desired Pensionary that Mr. should be

written to that the Ms States of the Prov: of Holland

& West Friesl. have placed the matter of sd ship Cornelia

in the hands of some of their Deps, to wit, Mr

the Holles, as soon as the result of the afd Commission

shall have come in to the Assembly, since at once take such resolution thereon as they shall find proper. And the deps of sd Province of Holl & Utrecht are hereby requested to declare themselves ~~thereon~~ thereon as soon as possible

Wednesday 29 October 1680

DAC. Adam. Recd a Ld from the Morning ... written at Copenhagen the 19th inst reporting inter alia that the Rights Chancellor ~~on behalf of~~ about the ship "Columbia" had represented proposed whether it were not best to settle the matter there by agreement for the reasons stated in more detail in that letter. And did the Rights Chancellor ~~Ld~~ had added that if this Ho were willing to it he, on his side would respecting thereto; ~~then the~~ or he, Mr Morning pursued avoid their Hos decision thereon, whereupon being deliberated is found fit & best: that the Ld be placed: hands of Mr Van de Helde for this Ho to pay the officers of WIC to see reply thereon as early this Assembly.

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Recd: Privy Chamber ~~1672~~ 1672. [COL. OC. 16.]

[~~illegible~~]

~~[illegible] 1672.~~ [illegible]

Gold Coast (Trade)

Jovis 3 Octob 1672

Being debituated & considered let out of the previous deliberate & lately come over letters from Guinea, wch do clearly consent that the works on the ~~C of G~~ Gold Coast op dere Voet wch langer en Kan Stande blyven & consequently another means wch necessarily have to be devised in order to continue the trade there & to ease the Coy from its insupportable burdens, for which is by this ~~the~~ Assembly considered wch ordeinstig to place upon the sd Coast to private persons on a certain recognition or tenure, for some time ~~r to that~~ and over this most important point to consume the Assembly of the XIX of the first (date) predicable in order to conclude such an important wor wch common consent of the ships him do à Chrs a to resolve citizens as shall be found proper to service of Coy. —

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Gold Coast (personnel)

1 Decr 1642

Issued warrant upon behalf of Pierre de Phillier Vanding. Ensign on the Hill St Jago in Jamaica - ashby for advance of part of his salary he paid to Dr : S'Brownlage for burial of his father if he came to die

1643. [ibid]

[ind. the Pof Delib. are of no interest]

1644. [ibid]

19 April 1644
Pof Delib. for Accts of Accounts of ⅔ at Barbados on 1st of the May [993]

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8. — To despatch another Theologian in place of the Reducant Abrolaus Onderwater, whose death was reported by Mr Brick Wilcox & Co dated 15 Mars 1642 from Castle St George Guinea.

[1644 cited in WIC archives p 26. post]

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Resol Stat Zeland 1672 [WIC oc 31]

[nil]

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Resol Stat Zeland 1673 [WIC oc 32]

nil

~~[illegible]~~ " "

ditto 1674 "

[nil].

This ends the WIC OC archive.

Letters from WIC. to the Gold Coast.

[~~Guinea 1674~~]

[Kust van Guinea 24]

Original. 1643

"Middleburgh 21st December 1643" Letter from Directors of WIC at Chamber of Zeland (signed by two Directors). with address endorsed "~~To the Hon~~ Honble ... Jan Johan ~~Pruyt~~ Pruyt, Director General on behalf of Holmes Esq. of these Ut Ze the chart WIC. over the Dutch Coast of Africa at the Castle St George d'Amina."

– Congratulate him on his appointment as Esq. of the Dt. C. of Africa, by Assembly of XIX being being deserved promotion –

"from the accompanying letter 1st Amst 25 Sept this year 1643 signed & despatched this fort will be able to afterwards have many slaves as are allowed us. ~~allowed to~~ begin is to fetch from d'Amina for development of the Coy's Colony at Rio Sequepe: therefore were we have yet hitherto requested to despatch our shipper as quickly as possible. ...

... ...

"In Amsterdam this 25 Sept 1673"
Letter from Directors of WIC [signed by 4 names]
addressed (on back) to Stable ... in brief Willé
by Geve ... over Guinea Coast of Africa"
— As the Chamber of Zeeland has need of some slaves for development of the Colony on the Wilde Coast [Guiana] — he is authorised instructed to land one to traders of this, 100 slaves or so many less as the ships can hold — Ratio 8 of 20-30 yr old —
. . . . . .

"Hage, ultimo Novemb 1673"
Duplicate letter. "The deputed Directors of the respective Chambers of the Gen Chart WIC representing the Assembly of the XVII
to the Sworn Upper Factors or the Gold Coast: Pieters"
— earnest per
As on the especial letters & earnest request of the Dir:
Gen Wilree (whose ~~[illegible]~~ appointed time had now already long expired) we have granted his discharge & he is about to come home by the first opty whose vacant place consequently ought to be filled again and another faithful competent & vigilant person — they have therefore found good to appoint his Gen on the Gold Coast of Africa ~~[illegible]~~ at a salary of f300 per month

with the emolumentes you have been [illegible] made the
civil Station for the period of three successive
years commencing from the departure of the offices
Dir Gen. from the Coast for home or whose hands return
of the Council, or if departed of the Council alone,
you will take the customary oath of allegiance
within Mono & the Coy, & act in accordance with
the instructions, commissions & future orders both from
their Mono & the Coy which will be handed
to you by the bearer. — ...
[Signed & sealed].

"Ex Lundallho. 21 November 1693.
To Sir Chr Jelland & Dir Gen Wilree instructing him
inter alia to load 130 slaves on ship "Maria" -
bearing the letter, who transported by him "Tower
Colonie on the Wilde Kust" [Guiana] - He is not to
search the cargo, nor take off any victuals or men
from the ship, as they are all intended for this Colony -

"Amsterdam 25 June 1644"

Letter. The deputies ~~to~~ bis of the respective Chs of the Gen Chart W.I.C. representing the Assembly of the XIX [10 sigs] to Director Gen Jean Rodt.

– Refer to their last per ship Africa dated 1 December last from (sic) duplicate of which goes herewith, but refer affairs him to Ds on the C of Africa – ... hence then they ~~have rec'd~~ have arrived here safely the ships "Geerwonde Liefde", "Henry van Amstelodam", & "Stad Rotterdam" by which we have rec'd the letters from of a Dr Wilres, your predecessor, dated 10 May. 3 June. & 8 Sept 1643 with respective appendices to which this serves a reply

Firstly We are were pleased to see the efforts made. ~~Letters are not gewallen the deficiency which we have seen~~ that both for defence of the Coy's forts & lodges & for the repair of that which thro' the heavy rains has fallen in & besweken collapsed ~~can consequent~~ gewonden. & we shall not neglect, prosperity to supply yr H with the wing materials in so far as the present constitution of affairs in any way can allow, relying on yrs vigilance & good conduct that the same may be ~~carefully~~ used with proper economy ~~necessary & properly~~. We think that the continual falling in of the Batteries & curtains could in some measure be prevented if the

future by keeping the water off by canals or
exercise by all such means as shall bring in the
wise judge most suitable which we globally
entrust to your care.

Slave trade — In contracting with the slavers shippers we shall
in the future endeavour to employ all such
precautions as we shall judge serviable &
very for the most profit of the Coy &
in order to keep the same abide all disputes
with the owners of the contracted ships, as
we can well understand that a large quantity
of slaves being traded there, to keep the
same behoove in good custody is subject to
many difficulties & inconvenience & can
only redound to the considerable damage &
prejudice of us. Both about the death & the
running away of the same.

Interloper — That we as well lately taken qualmen the
capture
Caerbalen & confiscation of the Prays
Schappen de Sara, being a stroll: Interloper
has already been carried to your predecessors
by our letter dd 4 December 1673 by
the ship "Witte Haas". & it was not
unsatisfactory to us to hear that Bob Schappen

was then being employed to look out for all ~~[illegible]~~ Interlopers & small little ships coming down & being held very for the maintenance & conservation of the Coys trade that property is sufficient against all such ~~to~~ contraventions & measures as being directly contrary to the express text of the Charter & Article Briefs & we ~~[illegible]~~ more well remember that the proceedings held about it when cast up of the ship "Geronde Liefde" which we lately recommend to Yr. care to ~~[illegible]~~ neglect in the future in case that we in default of sufficient documents or proofs we may easily be involved in any new difficulties hereing

That Yr. is ~~[illegible]~~ of all places in the District of the Coys Charter, in peace & friendship with the Protestant Natives ~~[illegible]~~ Heer has been specially pleasing & satisfactory to us to understand, and on the other hand we have been not a little surprised at the violence & unlawful unchristian proceedings of the son of the King of Graa, however we have extinguished them wij verwachten dat daarom van opland hoort because of sol hebben gedaan, ~~[illegible]~~ the

E.C. affairs

Accra

efforts made by our Wilkes your predecessor, to that end

1674 Gode ~~decreed ten tree opnde ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~~~ ~~[illegible]~~ & that

~~by Wilkes yr predecessor~~ ~~[illegible]~~ factor

Company Johannes ~~Stoffram~~ Stoffram by

his orders had been removed ~~was [illegible] generally~~. & another

factor sent thither, it being a ~~bethwaghyche~~ equitable matter

that private offices have given occasion for such

public exportation

often violence & extorsion & we will trust that yr

according to your utmost power will, in the future

help ~~smother~~ smother all such fires of discord ~~at its~~ this

birth & contribute all impossible means thereto.

Supplies. We will not unlike publicly to provide yr with gort &

meel & other victuals & necessities for subsistence,

from time to time & have lately with great

displeasure that the meel sent was found so bad

obstructed on opening so that according to yr

predecessors' letter with 50lb bread could be made

gort from 100lb meel - as this we reported to

the Council packing they meel see to this, & request

him to report all such bad meel victuals which

arrive by ye ships -

- & Wheels of leding roots of respect of old planes

or twigs. - ...

Defence Wy hebben ons seer wel laten gevallen de

goed oordy Vorsienige which have been gestell

these against enemy attacks and doubling the ye
will continue herein with all such vigilance, prudence,
& watchfulness as the maintenance & conservation
of the Kings Forts Bridges & other effects require
at this junction of time, for the reputation of a State.

And about such ~~it~~ has not been ~~an agreeable~~ displeasing English
tidings ~~what happened~~ what happened hath possessed the Van de
Ships Rebecca, Stadt Rotterdam, & "Susanna"
on sight of 4 English ships by Cabo Corso.
seeing this such valiant actions the report of
their nations is greatly ignored, & the vainglorious of
the enemy ~~are~~ about fancifull Victories & imaginary
successes will find very little ingressie with the nations
here, in the future.

- The Resolution of 8d Value aboard re getting shares for
the ship Rebecca, appd.
- The safe arrival home, and of Agent, of ships "Secretaris Liefde" slave trade
"Stadt Rotterdam" "Mens van Amsterdam" -
- The shares which ship held at Curacoa. -
- The agreement made between Owners & Freighters of ship
Vreede re their claim against Coy for share in prize of the
interloper "Fleming" captured in Guinea in March 1672
about up to Castle St Jorge da Mina -

1674. That the fire of war among the natives of this country there was hitherto geduldt eynstelijck is gebleuchelt quenched geweesen is ons seer lief & aangenaam geweest te verstaan & we zijn hope dat the restende partijen will also have followed dese goed example dan the Koopmen efforts resorted to the directions of Ylt's predecessors, so that the verwillen trade was again be revive under dese Ylt's directie, de Cap' trade there binnen possibly & without interruption vortse interested was feel [illegible] experience de denies fruits & effects, under Gods blessing ons shall with meylich perfectly tusseyffly Ylt' from time to time with the wing merchandise

Appointment of Fiscal — they have appointed Wolphert Bacherus as Fiscal aan the N. district of Mucà Almineo in place of de dècd fiscal Pieter Cuijwagen — ...

Personnel — they have appointed Thomas Lentburgs as upper factor at d'a Dennio in place of Arnoldus van Gangeport dècd, at salary of 100 guld per month. — In whose place they have appointed a upper factor at Mauré, Joost van Landster, at 80 guld p m — — they have "here" appointed Daniel Verhuelst, going over by the ship Cobe upper factor, who placed at such

factory & the service of his superiors.

... ... (&c applts).

— Have chosen chosen Mr Jacobus van Breen late Predikant Pastor, vice to Abrahamus Cridewalin decd.

Now affairs here in Europe have changed to the great profit of our beloved fatherland & immortal glory of HH the Lord Prince of Orange, under the blessing of God Almighty. Yesterday we were able to see from the accompany news papers (gedruckte nouvelles): the long desired peace between HM of Gt Britain and Holland, as states Gen'l of the U.N. being finally concluded & ratified in the month of July last, the articles publication whereof are sent to Yr Honour ...

Peace between England & Netherland

... ...

Extract from Mr L. Chr Trust: to Mr Jan Root.

" Trust. Oldenb. Augt 1674.

. . . . . .

For wise also please to consider whether to prevent the adulteration of gold seeing that it has appeared to us, not without surprise, that the mark March has generally cost more than 310 & 312 guilders, whereas heretofore was used to reckon rendueen, 316, 318 & 320.

Falsify adulteration of gold

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Letter from Republic Govt of W.R.C. on the necessity of X to Sec Ecol Prest. Amst. January (RC) 1645

Slave Trade

Instructions on the contract entered into for supply of slaves to San Domingo Hispaniola, which is going with the first ships to start the new arrangements. Contains remarks to Council with regard to people expected is take accounted [illegible]

Dr from the Amst to Sec Ecol Prest Amst. 29 January 1645

. . . . . .

P.C. personnel.

Informs him with ref of wreck of yacht "Witte Haes" off Island Schiermonickoogh on voyage Texel on 27 Sept last which lost 49 Dutch White men drowned when very active & lost.

Resolutions of Chamber Amsterdam

31 Oct 1674 - 31 Dec 1675 (WIC. 330).

4 January 1675

GC. Resolved to recommend at Assemb. X the following
personnel. of following officers - C of G. John Pruit for Gen
Wolfert ~~Brockers~~ Brockers Lieut
Thomas Cruthburg Opp Comm at Elmina

8th January 1675 to X
With above resolution resolved to recommend Hermanus
Abramsen as for Gen

12 March 1675.

GC. Exhibited a note for newly appointed for Gen and some
presents to Chiefs necessities necessities for the C of G both for presents
textile things Prices & Colours Colourings in the country
& for every use for the table of the for Gen. Resolved i
Lands of Commis for officers of Africa to be sent there

30 April 1675

GC Farewell dinner both given to departing for Gen Hermanus Abramsen
personnel.

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10 May 1645

Mr Forsyth appeared & Assembly informed it that he was preparing to depart with a cargo of war work & hence to sail Wednesday in ship "Thomas the Loan" – He was given pass with –

[Nothing else of interest
These Commissions only contain short minutes of detailed business, the contents of pps which are not disclosed]

~~Minutes of meetings held in Middelburg 1645-46 [WIC. 126]~~
~~Deputies of the Zeeland. Mins beginning Dec 1644. [illegible]~~

— nil —

Instruction Book 1645-84. [WIC. 469] 1644.
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fol 50. Instructie voor heeren directeuren van Zeeland WIC. voor heeren Johan Rodenmacher Baillieur over de wateren of de Graeffelijkheyds van Zeeland co-directeur dese; & Carel Quint advocate of de afrd Coy, gaing in de name ende behoeff of seeke as deputeerde Commis to London in order to treat with the English R.A.C. over de making of de concert between de afrd 2 Coys for de weering of de verdenkende onvrijs handelaers on de Coast of Africa. 10 Augt

1.

— Diligently to prepare themselves to proceed to England —

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2.

Having arrived in England they shall betake themselves to Mr van Beuningen at present Extry Ambassador on behalf of the State at the Court of the King of Gt Britain & acquaint him with their instructions, & deliver to Mr. Ambassador of that Crown the purport of their Commission ~~Commission~~ ~~texts~~, with request, both and of furthering & carrying it out, & the dit, for the love of trade in general & of this Land in particular, he will be pleased to recommend & support the matter ~~both~~ with all good energetic offices, and both with the King's Majesty & chancellor where it can bear fruit, & moreover show, deputed Commrs, being and his wife courtesy.

3

They shall require from Mr Johan van Wachtendonck their Hollnd Commissaris in London into the gestaltenis & state & occurrentien "affairs" C.?, of the English R.A.C. what procedure is customarily observed in connection with as also with ~~na stylo gebruikelijk is & about~~ and during the negotiations, to avoid the same they must ~~be ~~ ~~of ~~ themselves of the assistance of the Commissary ~~Sieto under Voorts~~, during the whole negotiation ~~has to ~~ assistance ~~an de opd~~ & if necessary to admit him to the conferences & ~~be Commsaris & of very assumerende de~~ discussions ~~same in the conferences & besigtigs~~.

In order ~~perfectly~~ to commence the negotiation in proper manner shall meets the deputed ~~Commissary~~ Commons, thro the customary & required means & officier of civility, request audience of the Duke of York as the head of the R.A.C. & of the Gov & Assistants of the same Coy. & having obtained such they shall then, after handing over their credentials, ~~Voordragen~~ Put before His Highness & the Gov & Assistants the reasons & motives why it is desirable & necessary for both the Coys companies that the same, in the maintenance of both their respective Charters, come to ~~hieden~~ offer each other the helping hand, speedily & in good faith, ~~each other~~ mutual & that therefore one should such a ~~onderhoudende~~ mutual concert because & ~~terwederstelle~~ devise such means & expedients whereby the injurious trade of those who ~~sich onderstanden~~ undertake to come & traffic on the Coast of Africa without having any right or privilege, could be efficaciously prevented & hindered; finally requesting that some person out of the midst of that Coy might be attached to them in order to enter into further conference on this subject with them.

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5.

In accordance therewith and the resolution of the Assembly of the 5th dated 26 June 1646 a.m. shall the said Messrs deputed Commrs inform the said Royal Coy, or Messrs their deputies for the conference, how that for the prevention of the designs & civil practices of those who ~~sub and colour~~ presume to trade within the bounds of the respective Charters, ~~but of de negotio be to~~ beggen, this Ten Ind: that W.I.C. is ~~gemeen & bereid~~ prepared absolutely to ~~publiq~~ qualificeren & to give volkomen authority to the Royal English A.C.

~~omme~~ ~~all ships being found~~

~~det~~

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all ships being found in harbours of the U.P. or elsewhere voor rekening of the subjects of their Ho Mo Lds Mgs.

to demand their commissions from all ships equipped, whether directly or indirectly under foreign name or otherwise, in harbours of the U K or elsewhere for account of the subjects of their Ho Mo the States SS being found on the Coast of Africa, northward from the tropico cancri to the Hoogte of 30° S of the equinoctial line; & if these ships are found to be "orphey", unauthorised, to seize to confiscate the same & bring them up to the Castle St George d'Elmina in order that in all such cases they may be adjudicated upon by the Dir Gen & his Council, within the Castle in pursuance of the disposition provisions of the Charter granted to the Dutch West India Coy & the resolutions, placcaeten & ordonances for the better confirmation & carrying into effect the latter, issued & gearresteert by their Ho Mo & fel tot the latter issued & gearresteert.

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And for that one can deny ~~[illegible]~~ I delive it is offered on this side, in case of confiscation, shall the Royal English Afrikan Co shall receive van Sop dan igen effect te laten tijn in case of confiscation de ~~[illegible]~~ R. Engl. C. shall draw & ~~[illegible]~~ one half of the value of ship & cargo according to ~~the gerechte helft van ship & ge cargo~~ according to the estimate & assessment of persons dis-veristende & respectively ~~[illegible]~~ nominated thereto

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Provided that on the other hand the Royal English Coy grant to the Dutch Coy d'eygeuste same power & authority with regard to the English ships or men which are inhabitants of that Kingdom are resident & participating altho' equipped & outgeloopen from elsewhere or of Friende names to wit: ~~to the~~ also ~~take a~~ to imagine off demand vorderen their commons from such ships appearing within the limits of the Charter of the so Royal English African Coy or the Coast of Africa afsa, finding that the afsd ships are entirely wrong, or wrong in proper form provided therein, then to bring them up to Cobo Corso in order to adjudged & condemned there i.e. w. th Charter of so Royal Coy & the laws of England. & that in the event of confiscation of ship & ~~goods~~ cargo this Dutch Coy also draw & see the generalte adjudged Relfs. under assurance restitute as above.

That for carrying out the aforesaid ~~Dos Cos estimative (sagge) executive of which is opa~~, the respective Cofs were have to order their captains commanders & Shipmen or servants which each may in any way concern that in case their commons, by virtue of which they are navigating & trafficing the opa coasts & opa, are demanded they will have to leave their commons / commerciums without refusal - the Netherlanders which Zeylid rth Zeylid Tothe Netherlanders.

9.

And that such opt with protected in the following manner. namely: anyone of sir nation ~~encountering~~ encountering the other & wishing to demand his commons would be bound to fire one blank shot, & to put out the boat or sloop with some of his men in order to show his own commons to the ship which he thus comes to encounter. If the ship ~~shall~~ stopped therefore be obliged also at once to send off its boat in order likewise to show its commons to the ship which first fired the failing in this must be warned by the first firing ship which first fired. For the second time send blank & then firing the third time with bolt over the ship: then attacked should up

namely a Netherlander by an English to Ekmio & an Englishman by a Netherlander to Cabo Corso

10.

In which latter case all the damage, longuematen or refusal of resistance from one of both nations, may happen in his ship will have to be borne by those who should have given assistance thereto: & such damage borne by de Coy under which his presentende staffloos been made, because of his resistance made & thereby can let under ship geraüseerde schade & regenoeden

11.

– In order to let it appear that it is dealt with all candour & sincerity & to prevent all wrong name of suspicion, copies of proceedings against all ships seized should up, shall be mutually supplied.

12.

That one would have, for good friends, to guarantee each other for all acts & ~~claims~~ demands which do

Embassadors of any foreign Princes shall be recommended unto them upon such & same other matters concerning.

17.

If it is required to seek assurance of the King of Spain; then committed clerks the Ambassadors his, and all the complements & arguments the occasion shall require

18.

And since the intention of their Honors is then Resol of 12 July last the act of authority, signed same day, to commence upon negotiation with the Royal Coy is tending took and that the Articles take speed upon shall be confirmed appd & ratified of the King on one side & Honors on other side, the deputed Commrs wise shall, as soon as they are completed, transmit the upon articles further took presented of the Kt C with their Honors

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- At once to course pois of their arrival i London & before to limit Honors on their charges.

10.

— And a return shall have one week after of their undertakings —

11.

— Then to hand in accounts of expenses of voyage journey &c. examined —

The above copied in name of the Journal book in Clarendon W.C. when Present. 10 August 1677

Copies of Letter of Introduction of ~~copy~~ to Mrs R.A.C. in Devil, dd 11 October 1677.

[~~Note~~ . ~~[illegible]~~]

(~~[illegible]~~)

Note The Notulen of the Assembly of the X (in WIC archive) do not commence till 1701. The only information about their business from 1674 to 1700, is in that archive, in the Indices (Registers) of Notulen. ~~The Registers of the Notulen from 1674-1768 [A-G. H-Z] [illegible] a comprehensive [illegible]~~ but The following are extracts from the Register op de Notulen. X from 13 Dec 1674 - 23 Decr 1687. :—

Register op het Resolutie Boek of Assembly of X. 17 December 1674. to 22 May 1644
[WIC. 29. 24]

[extracts].

Accord waarby de Koninck van Denemarken ende derselfs Africaense Comp. het fort Frederiksburg aen Cabo Corso hebben gecedeert aan den Staet & deze Comp. in State gelaten. [Vide Yellow note book (8) p 11]
left in status quo.

Amsterdam ... ...

Te examineren hoe verre de Engelse het handelen tot Saccande te beletten. [Vide Yellow note book (8) p. 8]

Adam Carpentier tot Voording van Elmina.

Davidson General. H Abramsen aan te schryven dat wy

eenige tijd in die qualiteit op de Kust wil continueren.

Denmarken & desselfs Africaense Comp, accoord wegens de inruijminge der deense plaetsen aen de Coy in state gelaten

zusen van Jacob Ruyschaver in syn leven voor Gen, versoeken lefdenige van desselfs nog onbetaelde Gagie.

frisage & offen Comercis van Slavinen provisionelly continued

Guinée (wilcks of geed wilt).

Jan Roodt als Adm: Gen: niet te continueren.

... ...

Do. Do.

5 July 1678 – 2 Augt 1681.

Amsterdam. (Arnoldus) Pieterszoon tot Pedicant voor Guinea aantestellen

Accoord. wegens d'inruijminge der deense forten Mogies op de Cust van Guinea

Bragh St Jago in Guinea afte Huijen & beschoten.

Guinea. (nothing of it).

Wilhelmus de la Palma. Ist nach Guinea

. . . . . .

Do. Do.

27 March 1682 – 10 January 1683

Director General geweest, Thomas Crijnssen

Guinea different tusschen den generaal Vorhuijsen & de naturellen aldaar.

Ter oorsaak van Gen. "geweerd"

geen vrie director op die Kust aanstellen

Jonas Archisius. overleed op de Reij ... ...

Naturellen aan Elmina hun oppositie tegen den Dir Gen.

Do. Do.

20 March 1685 – 4 Dec 1686

Brandenburg — differs met den Coy over de limits & pottons & also Lede in Guinea over Cwetten van een reglement dienaangaande.

Director-General Nicolaas Sekerbos. ...

Daniel Verhoeven — Colle van Gen: Guinea, versoeken afdoenlijke van het different met de Coy.

Different met Brandenburg.

Deductie opgesteld & gedrukt wegens de Comp's pretentie rechts tot de pottons vhandel op de Gouden Kust in Guinea tegens de sustentie van Brandenburg dienaangaande

Dirck van de Poel tot fiscal van C of G. aangestelt.

Johannes Raphorst [Staphorst?] tot fiscal van C of G aangestelt.

60. 60.

14 April 1687 - 25 Dec 1687.

Brandenburg deffies ... wch doorontrent by de Staten van Holl. & West Vriesl gepossecert.

54.

[ans: X for Chr Ernst]

1674 | Letter book of copys Letters from WJC. to SB.
WJC | (16 March 1674 – 30 June 1689).
[WJC 52].

Copy of the "Deductie" referred to in SB Resol: of 19 June 1674. [~~H.B. (12) p. 41~~ Yellow note book (6) p. 41.] as follows:-

8 June 1674. Deductie ~~in gedaan~~ delivered in tot Ste van SB. of de W.I.C. by or on behalf of the boys of de geest Chart WJC. at Resid: Chr reading in reply to at Ernst: op & Seguns certain former geschrifte van de gewesene interested partieen in de Rengi Sluijs ~~[illegible]~~ de "Jaffarnus Cornelia" *: entitled, "Prondig Tegenberight" handed over on 28 January last tot Ste van by Cur Meyer Known Councillor & Extry Envoy of the King of Denmark Norway &c.

*: This "Prondig Tegenberight" was not found in the Archives either at the Hague or at Copenhagen.

Hegte Ingelse Lords.

De boys of the Gen chart WJC. of this country at Res: Chr reading at Ernst having seen & rd a certain

Memorial handed over on 28th January of current year to Y Ho Mos. by our Burgher Committee, with a description from the latter, as so-called interested parties in the shipping the "Jeffrouw Cornelia", being confiscated in Guinea – being reply to the report ~~gedaan~~ in regard to gedaan by the Burgers, on 10th August 1676, & were also the Assembly of Y Ho Mos on 15th of same month; as also the first Memorial from the afore Burgers dated 3 May last concerning the same subject. [only a reminder]

And Y Ho Mos having received the Burgers reply to it desires dear heeren that you should strecklende ~~Ed ons dezelfden aan Y Ho Mos het belang~~ ~~v d zd Burgers sonder letten te maken.~~ in compliance therewith

Zoo zullen wij ~~ter~~ obedientie & tot voldoening ~~van dien~~ most respectfully state as follows, namely:— de voorn Burgers, by deezen in alles ~~onderdanigheid~~ ~~zoals~~ th

Het ~~voorgevallene~~ ~~voorvallende~~ namelijk in first & foremost

Zoogt & alleen, ~~dat~~ under the wedderwoorden of Y Ho Mos' permission here hold as repeated ~~then~~ the contents

Ons, Burgers, ~~alhier~~ ~~voor geexpedeerd~~ ~~hebben~~ & contents of the ~~aan~~ report of 10 August 1676 ~~& de~~ & arguments ~~& redenen by hebben~~ set down therein ~~ter onder gestelt.~~

Copies of which is annexed hereto ~~sub~~ A.* [~~mem~~]

Hoping thereby to have sufficiently & completely justified the proceedings held in Guinea both about the anchoring & confiscation of the aforesaid Ship as regards the subjects of Y Ho Mos found on the same

* See report in Yellow Notebook (6) pp 58 – 69.

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And nevertheless that the complaints of the opd interested parties, who have not scruples ~~scrupled~~ to deny it ~~to deny~~ to deny it ~~to deny~~ to deny it ~~to deny

that the offd ship should have been a trading at or near such places where this Neck Coy. has Factories.
For having inspected the Journals kept by their own men kept on the offd Shippe & which they have solemnly replied under oath to the interrogatories put to them ~~[illegible]~~ also annexed hereto Lr B 1st 11. [not here]
So it is clearly stated that they have been to trade at Cabo Verde: & afterwards at the ~~Bay~~ roadstead of Rheum: item before the Fort at Boulay: as also between Sccoray & Seccunde: thus contradicting Dounde here figures what which ~~by the offd~~ interested parties is ~~reported~~ represented in their offd Open bericht contradicting report Art 6. that the men of the shippe had only been at Cabo Verde to fetch water much to their trade. further that the Offbericht of the so bestuit had ~~been~~ came a board the ~~ship~~ shippe unit some negro cloths & such like goods which he had offered to Van der Staal, to trade to them to be paid for on a bill on Amsterdam, as those goods could not be ~~[illegible]~~ vertheit there. well known
For in so far as regards the first it is ~~[illegible]~~ that the private traders, in order the better to be able to carry to attain their ~~[illegible]~~ object ~~[illegible]~~ at places where ~~they~~ the trade is not allowed them, ordinarily employ this pretext of having lack of water or other necessity.

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But that one is ~~ongehouden dezaken te deferiren~~ not bound to defer to this when the cases ~~uitwijzen~~ prove as in this case, that it is ~~principally~~ done ~~congelegt~~ in order to defraude the Coy of ~~their~~ the profits of trade men their own ~~wet~~ has & dolges.

And that the ~~ingebandelde~~ bartered negro cloths had been offered by the Officers of Cabo Verde to the aforesd Van der Stoal on board his ship is ~~indeed~~ indeed ~~waarz~~ not ~~niet~~ ~~commendable~~ admissible. Since neither he, Van der Stoal, nor any of ships officers, in the ~~examen~~ examination before the Hon Pen & Council have said or brought forward a single word about it in their defence: but on the contrary simply acknowledged that the negro cloths had been ~~ingebandelde~~ bartered at Cabo Verde.

Proceeding then to what happened at before Accra, so it appears from the journal of the aforesd Chief merchant Jacob Claesz Boom sub dato 16. 17. 18 Sept 1675 that that the shipping came ~~daar~~ there were there stranded. Item, such appears from the confession of the aforesd Thomas Van der Stoal ~~in~~ in the 10th ~~art~~ Art: of the four interrogatories put to him at Elmina, namely that at Accra aforesd

he has sold all ~~his~~ sorts of ship's cargo to various persons, both white & black.

And whereas also so far comes to correction the of Act of the aforesaid ~~open bench~~ Counter-report, ~~&~~ it being of no importance belonging others, that the interested parties respecting vessels in that act. That the ship has been the Africa in order to fetch water, & such that this had been refused her, it had been allowed to a certain English ship. For it is an all too frivolous a pretext thus to wish to ~~vindicate~~ palliate the ~~a disposition to~~ prohibited trade. Seeing that the aforesaid ship having had so great lack of water, they need not have troubled the people of Accra about it, specially considering that within the time of less than an ~~Astronomical~~ 24 hours they could have come ~~with the~~ back, ~~before wind~~ & current, to Cabo Corso under the protection of the flag of Denmark. & even if the ~~wrong~~ the ship Gelderden was taken, according to his Majesty's Commission & Permission Brief, which, forsooth, was not applicable to the Englishman, as having to go up against wind & current & therefore could not for a long time obtain any water: also not being in the least suspected of wishing to drive any trade there, but a the contrary having gone out in order to supply clear that District of Metalogers.

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So the interested parties have no reason to complain about it that our has had to afterwards, upon admittance to their people whose design were such from them to fetch water, so as appeared from the results ~~and the effection gelledden is~~.

Coming now to the interlopping proceedings of the shipje before Boutry: so are the interested parties also contradicted clear vam made or wordsprecklyk overtuigd by the Journal of their own Skipper Jochem Pietersz Moller, ~~dated~~ sub dato 14. 15. 19 Sept 1645; containing that the shipje had been at anchor there before the Castle, had traded with the inposs & in two-days time had obtained about 12 marks gold.

From whence the shipje having sailed (to) between Tarcorary & Sarcandé, & such being clearly verified by the ~~our~~ actual words of the Journal of the chief mate Jacob Claesz Boom

So is it indeed all too grossly ~~grossly~~ contrary to the truth aangegaan, that the interested parties [I. P.] say also in the ~~of~~ act of their tegenbericht that the shipje was hostilly ~~dus tegen wil &~~ dealt against its will ~~wetten~~ by the Cos. Servants. for heniees that they, the I.P., are overtuigd convinced by the aangehaalde Journal of the ~~hk~~ chief mate: as it must be presumed

dat ons ook, has ~~[illegible]~~ beter bestek genomen of de Reyse van hun chief Mate.

Want de I.P. wier de stelling reeds verworpen door de confessie van van der Staal, art. 12 of de first part 15 of de second interrogatory, met de hun of Slumio: namelyk dat de Schipje came down along the whole Coast from Annine to Trade, to barter gold for her cargo, to between Taccorary & Succunde: de Schipje therefore not being brought there by the Cap's servants. It found a caught or ~~gestrapped~~: after having obtained more than 35 marks gold on the Gold Coast by her improper trade: which being so ~~in~~ true perfect, the I.P. sich ook wel behoren te wachten van het selve te nemen an openbare ~~[illegible]~~ Valsheijt, and cumulating scandalous upon scandalous verwijtgens & willen bestrijden dat can this Point alone the whole world and be ~~getrost~~ getrost.

Hoeveel zwarte altaars aan de zyde of de Cap, he gerechtvaardigt met goed recht: namelyk, dat hier as the I.P. have not scruples to deny the opd point, lying as clear as midday light: they, I.P., have also made no difficulty dat denying & verwerpen all dat of which are has sufficiently overtuigd hun de rechten.

It can therefore also easily be seen wat te oordeelen

[I.P. = interested parties]

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say van Tjeene Twelfe, voorn I.P. are bringing in against it. to their excuse ~~for their excuse~~. And specially certain report of some officers & sailors who have sailed on the shippe, entitled "Annotatie" or daily notes of what occurred on & about the same shippe. Namely that no credit may be given or attributed to the said report, as being contradictory to the original journals & diaries kept by the said officers themselves in their hands & found in the shippe: which journals & diaries alone merit belief & herein: & not such ~~of or post facto~~ Annotatie or notes formed ex post facto here in this country: as wherein the officers & sailors have been able to put all that which they thought excuse could in any way tend to their verschuinige.

And then, the fact being in dispute verified how & when the shippe has been actually traded ~~to trade~~, so stands to consider the right which the Hy. & Council in Quinsc had to declare the same confiscated & forfeited for the behoof of the Coy. in a sentence dd 25 Oct. 1695 produced herewith under C. [~~xxx~~]. [not here]

Namely that albeit the prize certain grant

that the subjects of this Kingdom of Denmark are allowed
to sail on the Coast of Africa with their ships
equipped in this Kingdom own country: as well also, as
the subjects of some other Kings Princes or Lords
not being subject under whose the authority of Y. Ho. Ho.
Yet the same are not authorised to come to any places
where the King, in the name of Y.H.H.Ho. has real & actually
possession: seeing that the law of nations, at least
between the European Nations, provides Vigeneure wederkeerigh,
that anyone in E or W.I. having made any conquests,
& maintaining those, are entitled to enjoy them solely & exclusively
~~doen van allen & privatelyk~~,
to the exclusion of all others, ~~en vermogh te gaunderen~~
~~[het geest of gebruik van ons hebben]~~, in compensation for
the trouble & cost resorted to & spent by him to
that end: such right being also introduced of necessity,
since without that, none would be encouraged to
undertake long voyages & distant designs, with excessive
costs & dangers, indeed ~~wel & gelukkelyk gekuiscert~~
~~hebbende~~, should be obliged to give part & share
of the fruits, rights & profits flowing thereof to others who have
not participated in the costs & dangers, whilst in dier
voegen also ~~ad amusst in~~ ~~overeen komende~~ is in accordance with the sentiments
of Y.H.Ho.Ho. contained in the well known resolution of the
16 November 1661, published sub litera D1. loco [~~sub~~ [not here]]

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For at the time when we were chasing, in the name of his master the King of Denmark had requested that a passport or cate of assurantie might be granted by Y Ht. Mo. to the D.A.C. for the ship Frederick in order to sail to the C of Guinea Africa, so Y Ht. Mo. found good to write thereon to the Gov: Gen: of that time that he would have to treat in all unto amicability & friendship the subjects of the sd King coming thither directly ~~or indirectly~~ out of the harbours under his Majesty's authority, & especially with ships equipped thereto under his warrant, & in specie, the ofd ship Frederick; des quod notandum, that the same subjects would have ~~such to abstain~~ to keep away from from the places where this Deck Coy had ~~was having~~ forts & lodges. And with fuer ~~X~~ special & express injunction, that also from the other side the ofd Coy would be maintained & ~~gelandtsoph~~ supported by the ~~Oster~~ Charter given to the same.

As also by the espise Placates sufficiently issued for the strengthening thereof.

And ~~off such~~ although the ofd Resident has since made some fuer instantien representations about it, so have Y Ht. Mo. however been pleased to declare on 10 Janry 1662 that for forbidding in future the ofd

Resolution of 16 Hours of previous fear as appears here what is pretended under Art D 11 here [more]. [not here]
And 1 a w should they must also repute themselves herein without taking any regard that the I.P. say they are ignorant of the laws and resolution. Nay behold we that it is excusable because late ignorant of the public law of nations, it is observed of the Span. French. Eng. Port. & other European nations in their respective conquests in E. & W.I.; of which the and Resolution must be considered as a decision in that special case.
Seeing Thus as the I.P. themselves ~~refer~~ a state herein, since they can claim no ignorance of the contents of the Royal Common or permission granted them on 10 July 1674.
Thereto annexed Ex 1. [more here] [more]. which especially stipulating stipulates that they, I.P., are bound to let the ship in question call at & under the Danish Colours in Guinea, Frederic Burgh a Xtians Burg. And to which then also, the I.P. have made ~~sodaing~~ relation the 1st Article of the Instruction, given by them to the officers & sailors of the and ship, sodaing relation. that they have thereby owned the same, whether openly & a pro forma, to come into no harbour & under no castle which belonged to Turkeys another King to trade in free seas since a republic: besides ~~of free seas~~ & ~~that~~

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But the limits of the Royal Commission & Letters of the Q.P. having now been exceeded, the Shippe having traded, contrary to the contents thereof, & under pretence where the Coy has its Forts & Lodges, the Lords therefore consider that the ofnd law & Y.Ht.Ness's resolution of 16 June 1661 ofnd being applied thereto, it is an evident matter that the same Shippe has been well & lawfully confiscated in manner ofnd

And regarding the proceedings held about it, it will also clearly & sufficiently appear to Y.Ht.Ness. that nothing was else was done & acted and therein that which the Lds Eccl & Council have found to be proper in good justice: in conformity with the Y.Ht.Ness Commission granted to the Lds Eccl on 26 April 1675: the instructions of the general Coy approved by Y.Ht.Ness on 29th of same month: as the process papers & documents sent over hither by the Lds Eccl will be able to show in more detail. And which pps documents the ofnd Lds are at all times prepared to disclose before Y.Ht.Ness

That the Q.P. have expressed themselves over

de opd procedures, hier ook "de opd legen berichten"
in wz hatelijk & aanstootelijk ~~toon~~ shocking expressie
against de Cij. as if deze procedures had
been strikt illegal, de wen tracht very cavalier
& de confessions of ~~de schippers~~ extracted from them door force
& so forth, de Cij consider scarcely worth
answering. Since ~~daar van~~ never was not in ~~[illegible]~~ after
~~ifdaar~~ will the least ding be heard of it
~~hebben uitgeste dan reden geweg zal commen~~
~~[illegible]~~ hy as regards de declars given
~~[illegible]~~ in behalf of ~~[illegible]~~ of de I.P., by save
of their crew. So is it ~~van de deposities of the~~
~~geneigen [illegible]~~ according to common law
~~[illegible]~~ & undeniable that such
declars ~~many geen enig~~ are of no validity validezen, as being given
by de deponents in their own matter. In order if
possible by dat means to save & get free
their unwilling pay, private cargoes or Sovereign,
which have been ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~

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with the upwards thereof, as also the bars: we pass over in silence the indecent words & expressions used by the I.P. in his said Legen Brief, as well doubtless for saucy, & being in effect a lack of better defence: thereby also placing the I.P. all the more clearly in the wrong.

Only will they, bars, yet, in justification of the opd proceedings, say the 4th Art. of the opd Legen Brief, did that which the Q.P. have to allege void, is entirely superfluous & unheard of, namely that the bar Gen. & Council in Guinea had no right to call into question any secret in this matter - because, they say, in that case the bar Gen & Council were parties & judges been appeal & the Cty & have made the confiscation for its benefit. But the opd Judges also administer justice on behalf of S. Holland. their interest → common nation tending directly against which have fallen out. they could not be suspected that were wrong to answer the Art. [illegible] not in right sense of the Cty & Brandenburg thus over consume without a good profit a Vorsteel advantage. as more than it costs of justice. the wrong ...

... ...

Wherein then wrong is corrected all what the Q.P.

have been in clear the proceedings the Dr's accept Tromp's advantage
that the J.P. in 15th Art. Commissr-report 15th Art. of Regia Charter have been to admit
that the ship ~~was~~ in 1674 also ~~any~~ made a voyage with Col. G.
Albo that they cannot deny that the ship was then Commonwealth at that time
equipped in Holland. in contravention of Charles 2 Proclamation - the
Tenour of Nerol: of 16 Nov 1661. - which provide that
no one may navigate thither under pain of confiscation of ship & cargo transferring the
subjects of other Kings & Princes also equipping in
Kings Country, & the East can as little escape
the penalties as the inhabits themselves. for if the
contrary is allowed then foreigners have greater privileges
here in this Country than the natives themselves, & the foreigners
would be able to frustrate the ordinances or proclamations of Charles
& make them of illusory. & would make the subjects
of Charles ~~are subjects~~ own subjects, immune & who pretend to serve foreigners
also ~~immune~~ ... ...

For that the ship was ~~to~~ Flieboat under the Rats &
Lodges of the Coy contrary ~~to the capitu~~ to the express patents
of its servants there is clearly verified by Journal of Claes
Van der Steal, factor on the ship, of 11 – 19 July 1674.
& of Under Steersman J C Brown of same date, Vide ff. (nor).
so that the J.P. on this point manifestly act against the
Case truth when they repeatedly deny that the ship

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had been under as Dutch flags a hulper. and acts of the officers & sailors of the ship acted with assent, or connivance, what freighters or shareholders in the ship resided in this country, it is easily to be deduced from the circs of the case that some of the Dutch subjects were interested in the ship & the prohibited trade ... as also appears from the confessions of Van der Staal & Brown – who gave names – specified – of the residents : Amsterdam who were interested in ship & cargo. (limited specified).

– They therefore hope that the Ct of Sessions will reject the inferences complained of, and that their Dutch witnesses support the Ct – In any case it cannot be denied that the Consular & P. cannot be heard against the lawful judgment of the Dutch Colonial Ct except by way of revision before the States General or their deputies i.e. w. Art 2 of Charter. And therefore the pris are the more surprised that the & P have tried to make a matter of state of it & they must blame that this is not the practice with others : Denmark.

– Quote precedents & examples of vessels & ships in support of this –

... ...

Coming to the 2nd Point concerning the sentence on Van der Staal & the other subjects of their Dutch two

found on the Ship. The ~~[illegible]~~ sentence was based on Placards of 1624 §2. §4 & §5. K (Lov) [Kongelige Lov] in which subjects, Holmen's, are expressly forbidden to go into any service within Limits of Charter.

as penalty of severe retaliation of person & goods. & the last Plac: — of death even. — The Dutch Colonial Governors ~~[illegible]~~ merely condemned Van der Stael to serve the Coy in Guinea by branding muskets for 2 years without pay. & at expiration of that time to be sent out of that District never to come there again except in the service of Coy, on pain of death: the others, take out of that District in same condition as Van der Stael.

- The Q.P. Vainly ~~[illegible]~~ contend that Placards don't affect them because they had sailed at Bergen in Norway or had been admitted as Citizens ~~[illegible]~~ Burgerrye there. For all of the exploits text of the exquisite Placades, the contrary is clearly shewn as all four of them provide ~~[illegible]~~ ~~all four, cumulatively~~, that the natives of this country have been in the service of the Coy cannot be freed by the penalties inflicted by change of dwelling place or other means whatever. which applies to Van der Stael who served on the Coy on several places & voyages as Cadet & assistant from 1664 - 1672. - when he returned to Bergen to serve the Q.P. in this voyage & to abuse the confidence & experience he got in the service of the

Corp. to its enquiry. ...

— 8th & 9th Art: the Q P say that the Placaat was not enforced against Van Staal in 1674 when on return for 1st voyage he was left unmolested in Amsterdam: that it was not of use to the interest of the two States Nations to enforce the Placaat in force. As to which they reply the Dons replies that there was no evidence in this country against Van Staal then: & that the Sheriff & Council have an required bound to enforce the Placaat —

In conclusion the ships were not confiscated chiefly because subjects of the state were on it, but because also of the Ships prohibited trade at or under the Corp's forts & lodges. Not being a capital offence, apart from Netherlanders being on the ships — ... ...

(sd) C. Ruiis

~~Corp. to 1678 — Letter to Sheriff & Council (with Sr) estab. that papers there relative were opened and the Pres. & Captain & crew ships appeared fin.~~

Copy letter WRC to Sh.: 31 July 1680 [WRC 52]

DAC.

- In obedience to Sh's orders of 4th July (q.v.) the report on the first memorial handed over by the Resident Genl on that day - re ship Jeffreys Cornelia. -
- As pointed out in their first and two reports the seizure & confiscation was lawfully done. -
- [There appears to be nothing new in the rest of the memorial]. -

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[List of Pirates on Dr Booth. WRC to Sh. WRC 52].

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Resolutions
~~Minutes of the~~ of the X. 1674 - 1678. [W.C. 831].

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Points of Consideration.

P of B (dated 23 Nov 1674) 21 88 for meeting of X
at Trust, 11th December. Legislation under Charter, many
de novo or old Leg. Letters our Pls & orders to the
Points re ~~old Leg new Leg~~ . . 88 re Interlopers a C.J.P.

(first minutes) Lunae 11th December 1674.
Present 12. (Trust 6: Jeffard 3: Maye, 4 Q. St Aard, 1 Eccl.)

Veneris 21st December.
Points 9. (Wickpers) Point 10 (Hawtrodes) &c.
referred to Committee for reporting or report.

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Jovis the 10 January 1675
... ...

Sold Coast Pres Taylor i Lord the 13th P of B regarding the
appointments to ~~Constables~~ of the high governments & other offices &
servants on the royal Coast Places of Africa &
Guinea & elsewhere i the bishrick of the Charter

so is for their deliberations found good personally to continue in their respective functions in service of the Coy the officers servants of the Coy abroad who shall be considered unfit or insufficient except the Dire and "eminent" heads of the following places: — E.C. personnel

Joan Root.

C of G { ~~Joan Root~~ Gov: Ger: — Backerus
Wolphert ~~Backerus~~ Backerus Fiscal
Ernst huijs.
Thomas ~~Ernst huijs~~ Chief Factor at Ceylon.

Island Curcao ... Gov. ... Commaris, ... Secy or Factor

at Cape Verde ... Factor & Commdr. ... Subfactor. ... Corpl.

Colonel whom members have opened towards their opinions recommendations. —

Saturdy 12 Jany 1675

On 13th Point Decided not to continue Joan Root as Gov Ger a C of G. not in the least in prejudice of her good name & fame, but because it was desired to have out a new Director General under the new Coy Terms with instructions, orders, which it was not expedient to include in instructions consequently the Gov. Gen. ~~& Council may to write them to~~ everything to the intends the C of G. already in France ~~on all the same anything~~ connected with the new Coy = ~~[Issuing of full effect of the union]~~

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Gold Coast

Lunæ 14 Januarij 1645.

Because of his knowledge & experience of the trade on the ~~principally~~ principally goldeiles of the Gold Coast many proofs having his stay at Elmina & ~~in divers~~ in various other occasions, Heerman Abramsen applied for Em: on the Coasts of ~~Guinea~~ Guinea

Martij 16 Januarij 1645.

Resolved that he shall be entertained in H.A. as Ger Em on C of A. & shall receive a fixed ~~Contract~~ salary of 300 Caroli guildens per month, besides a percentage of the slaves which shall be yearly entertained by the factors under his direction, each piece of "Indias" being reckoned ~~now by deese~~ of five pieces d Indias to be reckoned at 40 guildens ~~in corpo~~ prime cost: & on increase of the gold ~~[illegible]~~ [net cost?] - injoyes relaxed the on costs, & that he the Coast he shall receive a kento as follows.

of 500	marks	½
of 1000	marks	1½
of 1500	marks	1½
of 2000	marks	2

per cent

So forth, of each 500 marks, ½ % - to the exclusion of all or emoluments whatsoever.

Hereupon Heinsfully accepted the H.A. who appeared in the Assembly.

Penn's prior resolved as set out in the Recent Resolutions of this Assembly. ~~[illegible]~~.

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The Recent Resolution alluded to, is in WPC. 40. to following effect.

Mercurii 16 January 1675

Mr Herrman Ochrangen has been unanimously elected & appointed for Pen on the Coste of Africa requiring with intention to be his deputy director at first opportunity, has appeared in Assembly & represented the perill & danger of being captured by Turks & other pirates, between this country & the Coste of Africa and especially about the Canary Islands having brought up sold & verdoyt into slavery: & about such, requested that if the same misfortune (misfortune) might overcome him, for Mr A, that then the utmost possible might be made by the Coy prompt means devised for his ransom & liberation at the cost of the Coy in whose service he was going out. Penn's deliberation was found good that if such came to happen to Mr A. on the outward or return voyage the Coy would contribute the sum of 12,000 Carolii guildens once, & no more, for his ransom of his person; to be afterwards employed.

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16 January 1645.

(Order resolutions of that date contd)

as Lieftenants Lieftenants to Ennis on "secret design" — to stay in Ennis for 12 months. To rank in the greater ~~chief~~ & as at table next to Lieut Col &c.

Salary 150£ p.m.

Article Brief approved.

14th January 1645 (Secret)

S.C. Fold. Code granted to Jan Baptista Lieftenants or his successors in Ennis, reciting that on 18th December 1643 an agreement was made between the Ministers W.C. on the part & Jan Baptiste Lieftenants of the other that the carrying out of the secret design & inventions of the Lieftenants in order at small expense to draw out of sand or earth ~~stuff~~ such gold as might be possible therein which agreement was ~~accepted~~ approved by Prince of Orange ~~& Prince of Orange~~ on 14th January 1644. ... ...

Instructions for Jan Baptista Lieftenants or successors in Commission for purpose of working his invention (11 §§).

18th January 1645 (Secret)

Inexhaustible in Ennis has been found 50% or or ...

18th January 1695 (adj.).

Gold Coast Regulation of Trade

... ...

Qs it accordeth, that the opinion of Messrs Van Hawkel & or Commrs Parson of the 8 & 9 Points of B. C.A.W. recd: of 21 Dec. last, have cast them & in what manner the specified places included in the first class & exceptions exclusively granted to the Coy. ought be behandled touchg product profit of the same as also what cargos & Victuals & which securities will be sent to each Qs, & what Chs, & in what order: & also what expense totally against Interlopers at Cape of G. & elsewhere within Limits of Charter. Upon which resolved as follows namely:

That during current year cargos of about £250,000 be sent to C. of G. being since as much as required by the petitions of the present pris. &c: ...

That Cendeo, Gr. Grain & Tusk coasts shall be provided with large cargo amtg to £30,000

The alone who does work 4 ships all fitted out for Slave trade, & two ships for Gr. Grain & Gr. Tusk coasts: three Jacks, & two small frigates.

Of the alone cargos this shall be lodged, in each place £40,000, the other ship for G. & T. coasts

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£55000 in the other £35000, in the 3 yachts
left in all £20000 & 10000 in the 2 frigates.

... ...

Regulation of Trade

That the yachts shall serve to transport the Governor & high officers of the C. of G. & the Fiscal, ~~the~~ but they will have to fetch strong drink & trade returns from & to El Mina where the staple of the trade shall be gathered.

That one of the frigates, if need shall be considered necessary by the Gov. Gen. shall remain continually lying at anchor before Abbine & Cassine in order to observe & watch the trade passing there to hinder the interlopers & contraveners of the Charter which ordinarily pass ~~that~~ there fresh land on the Coast there, to prevent the same & to make their designs fruitless as far as possible.

That the frigates & yachts shall not & then take in wood or also have their outer planks smeared with resin [harpius], using arsenic with it, in order to employ them & conserve them better & the longer

(at Chama) But with the old frigates & also the yachts so now often at the river of Chama a careening (careen) at more suitable & convenient places, sal brandem & harpinijen ~~Cint harpinijen~~ Cint harpinijs (mixing arsenic vermiejpude rotte kruijt) in order ~~the~~ all the better always to employ & conserve the same.

That it order that our shall quickest & as often as possible get information from the Coast, as also further to provide & the factory supply one of them shall come home every year and as much bits & gold as the ship. Any it state shall consider convenient to load it.

That the ships appointed to the Gold & Tyrk coast & being given their cargo for their voyage, at the other pieces of Guinea, Any also ~~will deliver the intended~~ it delivered their intended residue, ~~restoration~~ shall ~~a direction~~ proceed direct to the Country and their intended grain & bits as also the gold which the Gen shall have given them.

That if the Contract that shall trade or the debit ~~on~~ day respects with Antonio Garcia or his assignees, shall continue, respect other ships, besides the afore four ships shall be equipped & sent out viz: 5 to Tabadec & 3 to Angola each with cargo of £20,000 for the lading of ~~4000~~ 450 to 500 slaves.

That we shall punctually place the Merchandise at 50% profit advance it order, & this or other means to draw the trade thus, & far as possible towards the degrees of private profits, contrary to charter, principles. That it shall

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be left to discretion of the Gov'r & Council to alter the same as from time to time of the with full knowledge of Coast & opte rate custom, avoide it ~~remeable~~ sensible ...

That one shall intendict such of Cays servants of other ranks, for selling any merchandise higher or dearer than the known brief for delivered by a paire of ceas de leyse restrayte to wender, [to undergo a penal punishment] and confiscation of all his wardly goods & emoluments due to him.

To ~~use~~ more to ~~arrange~~ encourage the Gov'r & vigilance & prosecution of Trade & ~~prosecution~~ prevention of rescuers of private trade, that any shall henceforth ~~not~~ receive gifts human interest, to a certain ~~amount~~ portion gradulte interest him in the whole amount of gold he sends yearly from the Coast, trading.

Those found privately ~~trading~~ of any writ or gold incaptible, infamous shall be ~~send~~ sent away offenders as ~~safe~~ unlawful & incam with forfeiture of all pay due ~~of~~ the private trade or ... - Reward to those discovery ~~private trade pay~~

contravention of Charter -

- Factories for very ~~cargos~~ cargoes take more punctually & respective dis-
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intended visits, whether, for the reduction of excessive costs & charges of the Coasts of Africa & Guinea, the ~~[illegible]~~ abandon ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~

			Cargoes	Slaves.
			198.400	1800
1695	Zeeland	in June to El Mina	40,000	450
8	Sled & Lande	in Augt to Arara	20,000	450
	Amsterdam	in Augt for S. & T. Coast £ 15,000		
		" for Guinea 20,000	35,000	
	Amsterdam	in Sept to Cabo Verde	40 000	
	Zeeland	in Augt to Angola	20,000	450
	Augt:	in Sept to El Mina	40,000	450
	Hope	in June & Dec to El Mina	40,000	450
	Augt:	in Oct to Arara	20,000	450
	In. Co.	in June to Angola	20,000	450
	Zeal:	in Dec to Arara	20,000	450
			493,400	5400

The Chr of Sled Lande was in Feby year 1696 taken in Gambia, sold to El Mina.

The 3 frigts for C. of G. H. shall be furnished by the In Co. and a cargo of £ 20,000

One of the frigots, to Guinea by Zeeland with a cargo of £ 10,000

The other frigate for Guinea, with the lighter & sloop for C Verde by Augt:

The 3 frigts for C Verde by the Chr of Sled Lande.

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But if that Slave contract is not procured with the "Four Powers"
the expedition as follows:

				Corpos.	Slaves.
August:	In Jan 1615.	Ship Europa, for Cuba	£14,000		
		for G. of Tortos	15,400		
		for Guinea	39,000	£68,400	
Zeal:	In Jan	for Angola	£...		
August:		for Bellebe	£	30,000	
[illegible]	In Apr	to Elkina		40,000	450
Maze	In May	to Arda	£10,000		
		for Guinea	40,000	60,000	450
August	In July	to Arda	£20,000		
		for Guinea	40,000	60,000	450
Ph. Qz.	In Aug	to G. of T. coast	£15,000		
		for Guinea	20,000	35,000	
Zeal:	In June	to Elkina		40,000	450
Sea adventure	In Sept	to Cape Verde		40,000	
		The 2 Ryches & 3 Jacks to Guinea with:		30,000	
		As also the Jacks & Galeys to Cuba.			
		The Hopper to Cuba & Curaçao			
		to be squadred by Ph. Qz.			
				403,400	1,800

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St Helena 14 January 1675.

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On Point of B 13. is found good provisionally to continue a service the School & Chief Factor at St Helena caused i' Minutes of 20 10th inst: [1675].

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Since 21st January 1675.

— The following lists of provisions &c allowed to servants of Coy totally cast ~~[illegible]~~ on departure to distress of the Country, appeared —

Posten Factors & Skippers.

One Cox pluimpje; ½ pys mom [lard]. ~~[illegible]~~ lies, ½ aam Wine: 2 fles Holders: 10 pond Tobacco; 4 hams: 2 pieces smoked meat: 4 Weeks milk cheese, one Vierendeel butter.

Stuurlieyden Corts & Sergeans.

1 box pluimpje. ½ aam Wine. 1 fles Holder. 5 pond Tobacco, 2 hams, 1 piece smoked meat: 2 Weeks milk cheeses. 1 ordinary dark butter.

Other officers, such as chief Boatswain, Schreiver, Butcher Constable, Cooks & mates surgeon.

1 fles Holdertje. 1 pond Tobacco. 1 ham. 1 piece smoked meat.

Sailors & Soldiers, not more than they can bergen i' their respective Coffers.

Yesterday he sent to the servants such persons as the Chiefs or respect may approve, they being guided as far as possible by above lists. Officers take care of the returning assembly of ~~the~~ to see that ~~without~~ indiscreet respects are not complied with ~~complied~~ ~~and~~

~~Works.~~ 22 January 1675

... ...

23 Jan 1675.

... ...

Instructions for Hermann Abramson. April 1675. [Vide MS copy

[~~about photos~~
~~for Office home~~]

[Vide MS copy

Particular Instructions for Hermann Abramson. [~~fol 136~~].

~~He only comes with orders to treating with a party for the recovery of the corpses of the King in the Fort or to similar ends of compact with.~~ [Photo does Hermann has the been photo]

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Dolaeni 16 March 1645.

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Gold Coast — Amoae 18 March 1645.

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Slave Trade — The queen commissioned on behalf of the Prince Chr. having communicated the contents & extent of the accord with the Mess. Plenipotentiary of Don Antonio Garcia about the slave trade as also certain Acts whereby they Mess. Plenipotentiary had obliged himself to the sum of 100,000 guilders upon interpreuende. The aforesd. Chr. is therefore threatened & accordingly authorised to sign the same.

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Presents to Chiefs — Received a letter from Van Suppcom written at Arusi, 16th inst., containing how 144 lod weergeseen & exd certain linnen delivered to the Prince Chr. & the usually appointed Sir Gen. Van Heemeren Schrauwen about some presents for the Kings Princes & Cabouers on the C. of G. a number i the particul. of his duties as also the extracts of which the five aforesd lod been sent thither on similar occasions 1200 the

note drawn up thereunto by the Lords.

whereupon ensued limits to expect a Charter so Royal Charter or deps stand the affairs of Africa River Gambia the Lords Commissioners to inquiry distinctly his contents, of which Clause, the which grants to which end the ofta persons or "regalia" are principally necessary rather to grant ~~wholly or in part~~ the aforesaid petitioners Lords. wholly or with such moderation as shall be found proper

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~~24th March 1675~~

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~~[illegible]~~

~~Veneris 6th September 1675~~

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~~7th September 1675.~~

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Jovis 2nd April 1676.

~~[State, P of B for 30/2/76 noted in Bk (12) p 55 (slip) ie 3 of orig.~~

[WIC 851].

Veneris 10th April 1676

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WIC. Gold Coast

Proposed reduction in no. of forts.

Being brought on the carpet the ~~of the~~ Point of the Agenda ~~Point of independence~~ by the Ses: Chr - to deliberate ~~on the ie planters~~ on the advices from the Coasts of Africa & Guinea if any come in during this present Assembly & especially ~~whether~~ if any forts a hodge-podge there was found of that nature that one could ~~withdraw~~ reduce their number without prejudice or loss of trade. So it found good that as no advices have so far come in from the aforesd Coasts & no positive resolution can be taken thereon the same shall be left in State & unsettled unsettled till such time as the Coy shall have rec full report of the state of their affairs on those Coasts ... ...

11th April 1676.

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14th April

10th Point. Slave trade. which alterations have occurred therein & what orders arrangements made at Curaçao

15th April	1676.
8 & 10 Paul Tourlentin & Stoff Handel gerequlent.	i de Geopolz rep de

21st April	1676
...	... ...

– Depute Hon de heirs of ier Smyglaner for payment of rest of his salary. (£158. 11. 4) Appr for payment one of ways coming from Portugal. –

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Anno 22 July 1676.

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SIC on GC. Extraction of gold from sand

Is read a letter from the Lett (Lower) Sir Pen Tom Stroth written i de Castle St George d'Elmina i Guinea the 20 Oct 1675, cadg advice inter alia how dez the Generalen Commissaris Jan Boptista Lafrinck arrd there by ship Europa on 9th July of that year: had set times set working, i the presence of ~~the~~ him Sir Pen, the prepared machine & instruments for carrying out the secret design i order to extract gold dusje from sand & therein ~~& therewith stof goud~~ but did the same design had not

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generall succeeded that the said Deputy had died at that Castle on 27th Feby following - whereupon order to hand extract of letter to HH the Prince of Orange for his infn as being interested in the matter -

- Recd following letters from present Gov: Gen : -

Castle St George D'Elmina 26 Oct 1675 per ship Minister Loan via Curacao.

" " " 13 Jany 1676 per ship Rendredt via Curacao & ship H.C.L.

" " " 6 Feby 1676 direct per ship Europa.

all occurrences to this Assembly, with circumstantial extract Report about the affairs of Trade in that Gold Coast Tribes Wars country, the civil war of the wars of the Dutchmen against each other, & fear of that which he big Gen had dispatch ~~sin arises~~ for general advice of Coy since his arrival, taking over of Govt.

~~rcpd : HB~~ (14).