

## Terms of Capitulation of Fort Necessity, 1754

A Capitulation granted by Mr. Devillier Captain of Foot & commander of his most Christian Majesty's Troops, to the Comr. of the English Troops now in Fort Necessity wch had been built on the Lands in the Dominion of the King: this 3d July at 8 o'Clock in the Evening.

Vizt.

As it has never been our Intention to disturb the peace & good Harmony that subsist between the two Princes in Amity, but only to revenge the Killing of one of our Officers, who with his Guard were Bearers of a Sumons as also to prevent any Settlements being made on the Lands in the Dominion of the King my master.

On these Considerations we are willing to shew Favour to all the English in the sd. Fort, upon the following Conditions:

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1st.

We grant Leave to the English Commander to retire with his whole Garrison in order to return peaceably into his own Country, and promise him that no Insult shall be offered him by the French, and to restrain as much as possible the Savages with us from doing any.

2d.

The English shall have leave to Depart and carry with them every thing to them belonging Except the Artillery, wch we shall reserve for ourselves.

3d.

That We may grant them the Honours of War, they may march out with the Drums beating, and one piece of small Canon, being desirous to prove that we treat them as Friends.

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4th.

That as soon as the Articles are signed by each Party, the English shall strike their Colours.

5th.

That Tomorrow by day-break a Detachment of French Shall cause the English Garrison to march off, leaving the French in possession of the Fort.

6th.

That as the English have not any Horses or Cattle left, They shall have leave to hide their Effects, and afterwards come for them. For which End they may leave a sufficient Guard on Condition that they give their parole of Honour That they Will not during one year make any Settlement hereabouts or on this Side of the great Mountains.

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7th.

That as the English have in their Custody, an Officer, two Cadets and other prisoners taken at the Attack of Mons. de Jumonville, and wch they promise to send with a Safe guard to Fort de Quesne situated on the belle Riviere, And that for Surety of this Article as well as of this Treaty, Mr. Jacob Vanbram & Robert Stobo two Captains are to be left with us as Hostages till the arrival of our sd. Canadians & Frenchmen. We oblige ourselves to give a proper Guard to reconduct these two Officers, who promise our said Frenchmen in two Months and a half at farthest. Done interchangeably on one of the Posts of our Blockade the day and year aforesaid.

Culon Villiers

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[on reverse:]

Articles of Capitulation

Granted to Col. Washington

by the French Commandr.

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