

Washington 17<sup>th</sup> Dec: 1802

Sir,

I have been creditably informed within a short time past that with a party of Indians at Pittsburgh on their way to the seat of Government a person appears who assumes the Character and Name of the famous Cole Logan - I having long believed this man to be dead made some enquiries about him, the more I have enquired the more am I persuaded he must be an imposture and probably comes with views to serve the disposed people I learn he says that the famous Speech sent to Lord Dumore are his words that the interpreter a Mr Cannon or some such name is at much pains to abuse the British - says they are using intrigue to create a rupture between the Indians and the American Government & when at the same time it is some how or other believed that he is a British Subject if not a British agent - This Logan, from the description of his person given me may be somewhat like to the real Logan but must be in my opinion much older than Logan would be if alive. he is stated to be above eighty years of age. I have many strong reasons for believing that the genuine Logan has been long dead and am lead to fear some improper views may be fostering; have <sup>therefore</sup> thought it would not be considered impertinent in me to give the President through you a hint which will be sufficient for him - I have requested a Gentleman who will be at Pittsburgh tomorrow to take this Logan with my name to Old Wornby who still lives - Wornby was well acquainted with <sup>Logan</sup> thirty years ago. I think I would yet know him - Andrea Mr Farel and would know him - except we there I know of none who would probably know him in this part of the Country. It is said this party consists of representatives from eleven tribes they go to speak of grievances they suffer at the hands of Governor Harrison as they say - One other suspicious circumstance permit me to mention The same "George Whiteeyes" of whom I wrote the President last summer accompanied ~~them~~ <sup>them</sup>. it was this Whiteeyes who reported to the Moravian Missionaries that the President had advised the Indians not to embrace the Christian Religion - I suffer me here to let the President know that agreeably to his wish and request, on the receipt of his letter I wrote the Missionary alluded to, in order to relieve his mind from the Suspensions he laboured under - I have seen the Missionary - he assures me that on the receipt of my letter he called on some other Missionaries and went to Whiteeyes & spoke to him with much earnestness stating the probable mischievous consequences of such a stander on the President of the United States, it had the effect desired; he denied, or to use the words of the Missionary "he eat up all his former words." The Missionary further said that he doubted not but that some Whilerman had, to ground therefore personated the President and delivered the sentiments for ill purposes having learned that the ill reception given to the Presbyterian Mission was attributed to this famous advice said to be given by the President I took with me an Elder of the Presbyterian Church to hear the Missionary I have since communicated the history of this business to one of the principle Clergymen of Kentucky - I am Sir respectfully your most ob<sup>d</sup> Serv

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