

Copy of Notes wrote down in General Wall's Closet, and given by me to his Excellency, at our Second Conference, Tuesday the 8th of December, 1761. (B.)

WHether the Court of *Madrid* intends to join the *French*, our Enemies, to act hostilely against *Great Britain*, or to depart in any Manner from its Neutrality?

A categorical Answer is expected to those Questions; otherwise, a Refusal to comply, will be looked upon as an Aggression on the Part of *Spain*, and a Declaration of War.

*General Wall. B. Retiro. 10 Dec. 1761.
Translation (2).*

Most Excellent Lord;

My Lord,

YOUR Excellency having expressed to me the Day before Yesterday, and being even pleased to put in Writing, that you had Orders to ask a positive and categorical Answer to the Question, If *Spain* thought of joining herself with *France* against *England*? declaring, at the same Time, that you should look upon the Refusal as a Declaration of War; and that you would, in consequence, leave this Court: The Spirit of Haughtiness, and of Discord, which dictated this inconsiderate Step, and which, for the Misfortune of Mankind, still reigns so much in the *British* Government, is what made, in the
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