

ASSEMBLY AT EDINBURGH, AUGUST 27, 1647, SES-
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Act approving the Confession of Faith.

A Confession of Faith for the Kirks of God in the three kingdoms, being the chiefest part of that uniformity in religion; which by the Solemn League and Covenant, we are bound to endeavour: and there being accordingly a Confession of Faith agreed upon by the Assembly of Divines sitting at Westminster, with the assistance of Commissioners from the Kirk of Scotland; which Confession was sent from our Commissioners at London to the Commissioners of the Kirk met at Edinburgh in January last, and hath been in this Assembly twice publicly read over, examined, and considered; copies thereof being also printed, that it might be particularly perused by all the members of this Assembly, unto whom frequent intimation was publicly made, to put in their doubts and objections, if they had any; and the said Confession being, upon due examination thereof, found by the Assembly to be most agreeable to the word of God; and in nothing contrary to the received doctrine, worship, discipline, and government of this Kirk. And, lastly, it being so necessary, and so much longed for, that the said Confession be, with all possible diligence and expedition, approved and established in both kingdoms, as a principal part of the intended uniformity in religion, and as a special means for the more effectual suppressing of the many dangerous errors and heresies of these times; the General Assembly doth therefore, after mature deliberation, agree unto, and approve the said