

Attachment they have shewed to our Interest during several Wars with *France*, imagine there must be some Cause for this Change in their Behaviour. The *Indians* themselves, when called upon in a public Treaty, to explain the Motives of their Conduct, declare that the Sollicitations of the *French*, joined with the Abuses they have suffered from the *English*, particularly in being cheated and defrauded of their Land, have at length induced them to become our Enemies and to make War upon us.

That the *French* had been active to draw off the *Indians*, and engage them in their Interest, was not doubted: But as to the Complaints they made of Abuses received from the *English*, and of their being wronged of their Lands, much Pains have been taken to represent them as groundless, and only lame Excuses for their late Perfidiousness. Nay some have gone so far as to say, that these Complaints are the Effects of the unhappy Divisions that prevailed in this Government.

In order therefore to clear up these Points, and to examine into the Foundation and Truth of these Complaints, Recourse has been had to as many of the  
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