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May it please your Lordships

I understand that the money is to be coyed according to the forms expressed int he annexed draughts. The inscriptions, the arms of Hannover, & the Crown above that Escutcheon are drawn only in blanck lead that if any thing be amiss it may be wiped out & mended. And because they may be wiped out & changed, it will be convenient that they be expressed in words at length in the warrant for coyning the money according to these Draughts to which Warrant these Draughts (if they be approved) are to be annexed. If these Draughts are to be mended or any other Draughts are to be laid before the King in Council it shall be speedily done. In the Draughts for the small money the inscription about the head is proposed to be only GEORGIVS. DE. GRATIA & about the Reverse MAG. BR. FR. ET. HIB. REX. &c. If in any of these draughts the work prove too much crowded it may be mended hereafter by a new Warrant.

All which &c.

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The five pound pieces, the forty shillings pieces, the twenty shillings pieces & the ten shillings pieces of gold according to the forms described in the two upper most figures, & the crowns, half crowns, shillings & sixpences according to the forms depicted in the two figures next below. The Reverses of both which sorts of money have four Escutcheons crowned with the points of the Escutcheons turned inwards & a star & garter in the middle between the points & in the three first Escutcheons the arms of Great Britain France & Ireland & in the fourth the arms of his Majesties forreign Dominions being &c And about the Heads the inscription GEORGIVS D. G. MAG. BRI. FR. ET. HIB. REX. F. D. & about the Reverses the inscription BR ET. LVN. DVX. S. R. I. A. TH. T. PR. EL. & the Date above the first Escutcheon. And the Groats there pennies two pennies & pennies after the forms of the larger silver moneys on the Head side with the inscription GEORGIVS. DEI. GRATIA. & on the Reverses after the forms described in the four lowest figures with the numbers 4, 3, 2 & 1 crowned & the Inscription MAG. BRI. FR. ET. HIB. REX &c & the Date.

The five pound piece, the forty shillings piece the twenty shillings piece & the ten shillings piece of gold, according to the forms described in the two uppermost figures, having on the Head side the Inscription GEORGIVS D.G. MAG. BRI. FRA. ET. HIB. REX. F. D. & no drapery about the neck & on the Reverse

four Escutcheons crowned with their points turned inwards & four scepters between them & a starr & garter in the middle between the points of the Escutcheons & in the three first Escutcheons the arms of Great Britain France & Ireland & in the fourth the arms of his Majesties dominions in Germany, & the Inscription BRVN. ET. LVN. DVX. S. R. I. A. TH. ET. PR. EL. with the date over the first Escutcheon. The Crown the half crown the shilling & the six penny pieces of silver according to the forms described in the two figures next below which forms are the same with those of the gold moneys & have the same inscriptions excepting that for distinguishing the Gold moneys from the silver moneys guilt the head hath Drapery about the neck & there are no scepters between the Escutcheons & the starr is more pointed. And the four penny three penny two penny & penny pieces after the forms of the larger silver moneys on the head side with the Inscription GEORGIVS DEI GRATIA & on the Reverse according to the forms described in the four lowest figures with the numbers 4, 3, 2 & 1 crowned & the inscription MAG. BRI. FR. ET. HIB. REX &c & the Date.

And for distinguishing the gold monies from the silver moneys guilt the Head upon the gold is without drapery & four scepters are put between the escutcheons.

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That the Arms in the fourth Escutcheon on the Reverses of the half Guinea & Sixpences may not be too much crouded I present your Lordships with the designes hereunto annexed for those Reverses, most humbly submitting the same to his Majesties & Your Lordships grerat wisdome.

I. N.

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The five pound piece the forty shillings piece the twenty shillings piece & the ten shillings piece of gold according to the forms described in the two uppermost figures & the Crown, half crown, shilling & sixpenny pieces of silver according to the forms described in the two figures next below. In both which sorts of both the inscription GEORGIVS. D. G. MAG. BRI. FRA. ET. HIB. REX. F. D. is about the Head & the Reverse hath four Escutcheons crowned with the points of the Escutcheons turned inwards & a star & garter in the middle between the points, & in the three first Escutcheons the Arms of Great Britain France & Ireland & in the fourth the Arms of his Majestys Dominions in Germany & about the Escutcheons the inscription BRVN. ET. LVN. DVX. S. R. I. A. TH. ET. PR. EL. & over the first Escutcheon the Date. And the Groats, three pennys, two pennies & Pennies are to be according to forms of the larger silver moneys on the Head side with the Inscription GEORGIVS DEI GRATIA, & on the Reverse after the forms described in the four lowest figures with the numbers 4, 3, 2 & 1 crowned & the Inscription MAG. BRI. FR. ET. HIB. REX &c, & the Date. And the Gold moneys for distinguishing them from the silver moneys gilt are to have on the Head side no drapery about the neck & on the Reverse four scepters between the Escutcheons.