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Mormon War Papers, 1837-1841

[*Full-text transcription of:* Letter from General John B. Clark, 1st Division of Missouri Militia, at Camp at Chariton, MO to Generals Samuel D. Lucas, 4th Division and David R. Atchison, 3rd Division]

Copy of Order to
Gen'l Atchison & Lucas
Oct 30 1838
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[The above inscription
is crossed out]

AM
10 O'clock

Camp Chariton Oct 30th 1838

Majr Genl Lucas & Atchison

Gentlemen

I am now here with near one thousand men under a force March to Richmond in persuance of an order from the Commander in Chief Copies of which are herewith enclosed to you for the use only of your confidents you will discover by them the power vested in me and for that purpose I enclose them to you Capt Long this moment arrived with an express from you to the Govr which had been wet and opened by Col Williams one of the Govrs aids [sic] and sent to me I have forwarded it to the Govr

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act with your respective commands for the best [“avoiding” crossed out] according to circumstances until I arrive when Some plan of action will be settled upon if the Govr should not come I will reach Richmond as soon as I can

Capt Long returns with this to you and Mr. Fristo goes on to the Govr

Respectfully yours
John B Clark Major Genl
1st Di M M

