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*Copy of Hugh Magennis to Grey, 29 August 1580*

**Endorsement**

Hugh Magesse  
To the Lord Deputie /  
29 August.

**Text**

The Copy of hugh Magesse  
his *lettre*. /

My most humble Duetie promised vnto your honour  
yt is so right Honorable that the xxvij<sup>th</sup> of  
this present Moneth some of Terlagh Lennagh 5  
his men toke from me by pray iiij<sup>C</sup> kyne iij<sup>xx</sup>  
mares ij<sup>C</sup> swyne iij<sup>C</sup> shepe & killed xvj of my  
poore followeres and also that within this iij wekes  
past the said malefactores came vnto the borderes 10  
of my Country with Certain laboreres & hookes &  
Cutt all the greene corne that they fownd there  
beseeching your honour to Considre the same and  
to license me to be revenged and to compell  
Mr Marshall to ayde & assiste me Terlagh 15  
Meanes no goodnes & he is of great force.  
The Scottes are at Lough foyle with their  
shippes, beseeching thAlmight &c.  
Narrow water the xxix<sup>th</sup> of August 1580

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To the right honorable  
& my very good Lord the  
Lord Deputie yeue this

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**Note on hands**

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