## The Squadrone Volante

## Transcript of an extract of a letter from the Duke of Hamilton to his mother, dated 6 October 1706 (NRS reference GD406/1/7854)

## **Transcript:**

My heart is Broke for the Business of this nation Surpases all that was ever knowen or heard off. The Squadrone have keept up ther sentiments with great cautiousnes till this day they have declard them selves all as one man for the union & in the tyrmes as you see them they say this has been Brought about by Mr Johnston upon a letter written to him by the Duke of Marlbourrough to negotiat with them Rox[burghe] is to be a Duke of Brittan im[m]ediatlie what tueedall & the others are to have I know not. It's wonderfull men should goe soe much against ther ain Light the nation was turning apeace and all who saw the fine p[ar]cell I send your Grace heer inclosed ware coming to be fully converted by itt. What this new acquired force may produce I cant tell but had it not been for this

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I think wee meight have gained a

delay ther is some trick in this which

I cant yet penetrat into.

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