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## Admiralty office 3rd April

1705

My Lord

Grace to cause his majesty's Fireships the

Vulcan & Griffin at Portsmouth to be forthwith
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main fleet, & the other for service in the
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of the respective Ma<sup>s</sup> gunners of the said ships
and their indents taken for them as usual.

I am

Your affectionate friend

George

Duke of Marleborough Ma<sup>R</sup> Gen<sup>LL</sup> of Ordnance.

Abbreviations/contractions used in this document:

Y<sup>m</sup> = them Ma<sup>s</sup> = Master

Written during the reign of Queen Ann, this document was clearly addressed to John Churchill, Duke of Marlborough, Master General of the Ordnance, however, it is unclear who the writer, 'George' was, but he must have been senior to the Duke and so, very senior indeed. Possibly one of the Lords of the Admiralty.