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عالى جاهان رفيع بخايطاهان عزت همراه مسس بنحان ومبعفر قلى بحان بسلامت

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12 مسبب الغرمان قضام رایان مطاع عالمیان مطبع مبارک محال بشت کوه بتیول عالیا، مطبع مبارک محال بشت کوه بتیول عالیجاه رفیع مجاهی عالمی مبارک محال بشت کوه بتیول عالیجاه رفیع مجاهی عالمی مبارک محال بشت کوه بتیول عالمی مبارک محال بشت کوه بتیول

13 و جدت هراه زبدة النحوانين الباس خان مرحمت رفت كه مختصى عالى جاه مثناً راليم بوده احدى دخل و تصرف

14 ننماید میباید بعسب سمکم محکم تصافیم هایون محال مربوررا بنیول ابدی عالی جاه منته رابیم دانسته به هیچ وجهه من الوجوه رجوی

15 محال مربور ندارند ومطلقا دخل و تصرف کنند و همچنین سکنای عالیجاهای نیز در محال پیشت کوه موجب سخرابی

اناست قرار مسكنا ونشيهي خودرا در سفا خور دهند وبه هيچ وجه بتعرض L6

، نگردیره به هیچ وسی رجوی ندارند این و بیوسته مطالب

ومهاتی که داشته باشند به قلمی و ارسال دارند که به عون الله میصل پذیر البامی و سلام

Hukm, [1230/1814-1815?¹]

Invocation: He [, Who is] [?]

Hasan Khan² and Ja^cfar Qulī Khan,³ be in good health. It is brought to attention at this time, in accordance with the blessed command, as sure as fate which is obeyed by the people of the world, the districts of Pusht Kuh⁴ have been granted in tuyul to him who is of high rank and lofty status, the companion of power, felicity, and glory, the select of khans, Ilyas Khan, which having been especially appropriated to the aforementioned of high rank, no one may interfere or assert possession over them.

In accord with the firm, royal Hukm, possessing the qualities of fate, they must consider the aforesaid districts to be his eternal tuyul, and not make any resort to the aforesaid districts, and make absolutely no intrusion into them or take possession of them. Similarly, the residence of those [two] exalted ones in the districts of Pusht Kuh is a cause of the ruin of those districts. Let them arrange to establish their residence and abode in Chaqakhur, 5 and not interfere in any way or intrude in any way.

Let them write down and transmit any matters and affairs they have, so that with the help of God they may be settled. For the rest, farewell.

I. NOTES

This Hukm is not dated, but it relates to Document 2 and follows it so closely in style that it must have been issued then or shortly after. It also relates to Document 1, in which Ilyas Khan had been granted the tuyul of Pusht Kuh by Fath Alī Shah, and presumably Hasan and Jacfar Qulī Khans have continued to challenge Ilyas Khan.

Hasan Khan. Second son of Farajallah Khan, who was Abdal Khan's second son. (See Genealogical Table.)

³Ja^cfar Qulī Khan. Son of Habīballah Khan and father of Ḥusain Qulī Khan Īlkhanī. Ja^cfar died ca. 1252/1836.

Pusht Kuh. The Bakhtiyari adjacent to Mizdij's western border.

5Chaqakhur. The extensive, well-watered plain just south of Chahar Mahall. and the center of the Duraki yailaq.

II. DOCUMENT (Sardar As cad collection)

This Hukm measures ca. 33 x 19 cm. The text is beautifully balanced with the right margin twice the width of the left, with the text filling the lower two-thirds of the page. The lines of the text are written in shishdangnastacliq. This is a rather curious document for there is no invocation—but possibly for a barely decipherable Hu [He, Who is] at the top—no tughra, and no seal at the end. Not even a date. The dorse, however, bears one seal that is identical to that at the end of the text of the preceding Document 2. The script of Document 3, as well as its subject matter, is the same as Document 2; therefore, they were probably issued at the same time or shortly after.

This document has some features of a letter rather than a decree, although the opening is decree-like. Like Document 2, it is probably issued by the Governor of the province, presumably Nizam al-Daulah.

III. SIGNIFICANCE

1. See Documents 1 and 2 and Note 1, above.