My Dear Lord,
I am just going to Damala to take over the command, & to make the detail of the Troops that go from thence - my intention is to establish a camp with my own headquarters at Eleusis - 3 hours from Athens & about an hour and a half from Karaiskakis Camp - into my own camp I shall know all the troops, I can collect & then act according to what we may afterwards combine with Karaiskaki - by this measure I ensure at my headquarters a Corps d' Elite - were we to throw all the men into Karaiskaki's camp at once before I see my way clear. Confusion might arise & pretensions might be advanced by the soldiers generally - whilst on the other hand having a distinct camp but on the spot for any operation - I keep in check everybody & am more independent - I as the Suliots will be with me their immediate fumte with Karaiskakis men might cause some disturbance but all their detent I will communicate to your Lordship personally- I fear however that I can't get off until early tomorrow morning as the work I have on my hand is heavy.

yours ever very obedient
R. Church

Sunday 15 April 1827
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