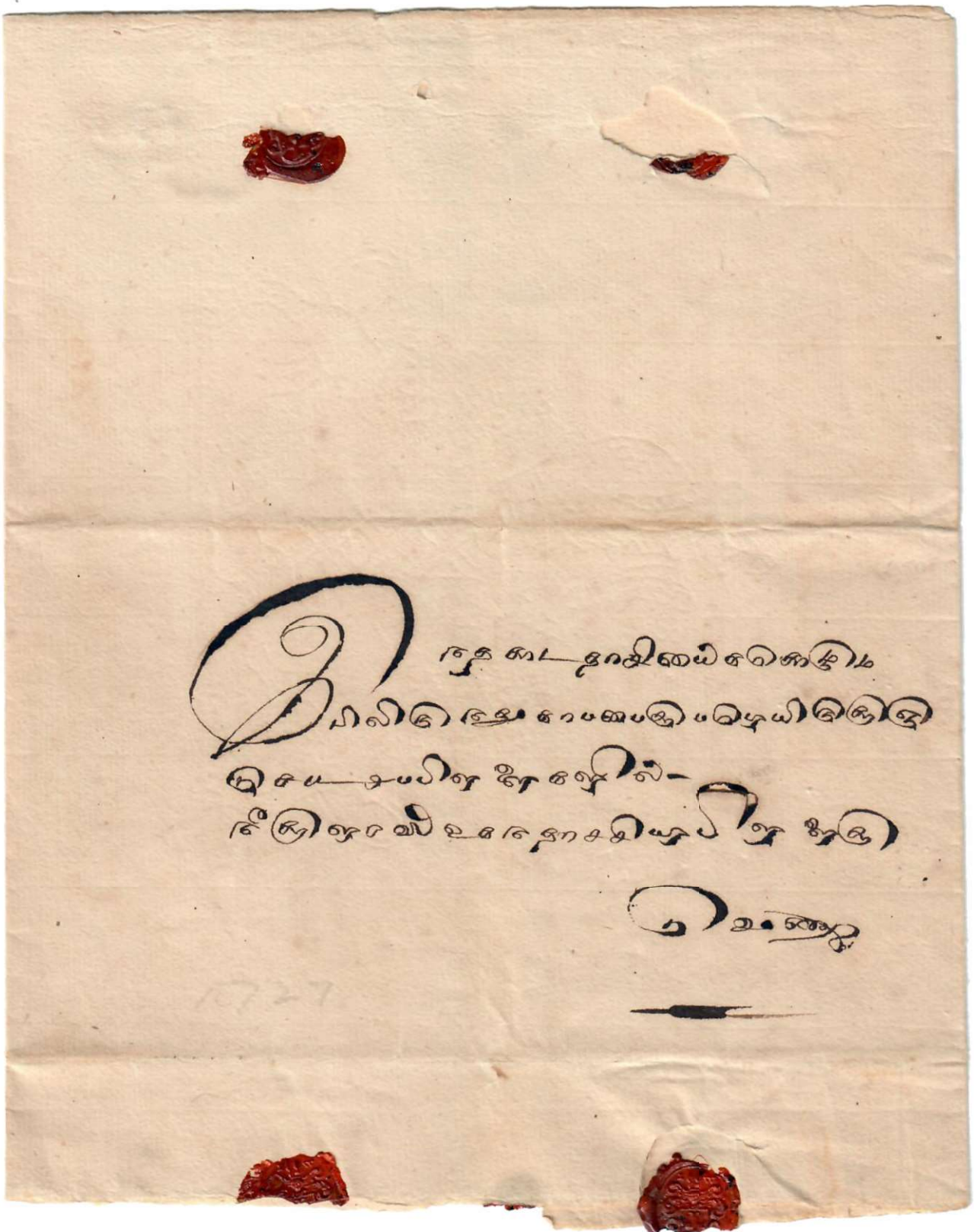


Cape of Good Hope

DUTCH PERIOD  
1700-1750

EXILED FROM CEYLON  
1727



⬆ Letter from Ceylon to the Cape written in Tamil on paper with watermark believed to be the Arms of Amsterdam and addressed to a *bandieten* (convict). This letter is to be (given; this verb is absent) to Nikolaas Ondaatje, one among the Chettiyar from Colombo living in the fort (?) at the Cape.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Transcription and translation kindly provided by Dr. Herman Tiekens.