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PETITION FROM MR. AHMED MOHAMED MOHAMUD CONCERNING
SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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Note by the Secretariat: This communication was transmitted
to the Secretary-General by the United Nations Visiting
Mission to Trust Territories in East Africa.

To: The President of the Visiting Mission U.N.
for the Territory of Somalia MOGADISCIO

Your excellence,

I have taken the liberty to draw your attention to the afflictions with which
I am burdened under the Italian Trusteeship Administration in Somalia.

Sir,

I AHMED MOHAMED MOHAMUD, age 31 years, born at Dusa Mareb, and living in
Mogadiscio (military Camp) at Hamar Geb Geb, Somali, have the honour to present
this petition before your honourable mission and beg that you carefully study my
case and given me my rightful compensation from the Italian Government.

I beg, to state that on the month of may 1941, I was serving in the No.5
Banda group of the italy's colonial government at Sodo Ualamo the Ethiopia
defending the italian flag when as result of air bombing, I lost an arm, the middle
bone of the left hand, receiving also a verious wounds on the back and thigh. On
return of the italian trusteeship administration, I presented my case before the
competent authority where it justified my mutilation but instead of giving my
blood compensation due to me it started to pay me 60 Somalis a month and promised
me that it will provide me with an artificial arm (ref. their letter n.1234/A.D.M./
M.I.V. of 4/6/56 from the italian affairs office in mogadiscio stating that I was
to be given the artificial arm.

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In the circumstances I wrote the following petitions to the italian government, in Rome and in Somalia regarding this compensation but up to now I didn't receive anything.

Petition dated 3/11/56 to H.E. Chief Administrator of Somalia
Enrico Anzillotti (no reply)

Petition dated 6/2/57 to the President of the italian government in
italy (no reply)

26/2/57 a petition forwarded to the special office of the italian
Administration (no reply)

12/4/57 to the President of the italian Republic in Rome (no reply)
With all the above quoted letters I asked the italian Government to give me my blood money to compensate the lost of my arm which they agreed that I lost it in the world war II. defending the italian flag but up to date I didn't receive anything yet. As stated above I beg the honourable mission to give me my right from the italian government.

In the circumstances I respectfully solicit your sympathy and shall be thankful if you will graciously sanction my prayers.
thanking you in advance.

Mogadiscio, 25 July 1957

(Signed) AHMED MOHAMED MOHAMUD
