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CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER BRITISH ADMINISTRATION

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Sir,

The Kamerun wcmen are suffereing, under the ill treatment by the colonialism. It had been a chronic action, they had adopted to give us excruciating pains. This actions are common in the Kamerun today, and matters becomes worse and worser every day. We had several times call your attention to contemplate about our problems, since we know that, you are the only Surpime Authority over us. Many discrimination and bad actions is being forced to happen in our country today. This actions mention below, are those that are ccmmon in our our country tcday.

1. Kamerun wcmen many of which are delivering, in the bush, on the ways, in streets etc. without any Martanity. Going to the C.D.C. Hospital, you must pay ten shillings. Without ten shillings, you could die at any where you feel weaken. There is no free Medical Hospital.
2. At first wcmen trade without buying licence. When the Administrating Authority started to hunt women catching them as animal in the bush, selling because of buying licence; of which the Nigerian women, are served with this licence without delay. Kamerunians will travel to the N.A. Native Authority untill, they are fed up.

On the 5-9-58 at Costain Camp Tiko, wcmen were being arrested by the Police, and Native Authority messenger simply because of welling petty market, at their

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doors. What was the main reason of catching us like that? Many of which they ran, and got accident.

Not all the workers are married. If one of the workers, return from work in a late time, and the Station market is far, almost one or two miles, he is now weak. What do you think will follow nex? He must take absent the following day and look for food in the market. Our husband received only four pounds. This is insufficient to feed my children and myself. I will then go to demand ten shillings to buy licence to sell petty market. What will three and a half pounds do to us? buying food, clothes and pay school fees to our children. If we are doing this petty market, though it will not help us in all business, it may do part of it. We are calling your attention to exiologistate about this matter. What does this actions signifies? The Administering Authority want that our children beccmes labourers in the plantation without any sufficient money, as our husband; and to die with their own children in their old age, in the same way as our husband. Without school fees, there is no free school, following the Universal Declaration of human Rights article 26. Without the school fees our children becomes labourers in their Plantation. Kamerun is made up of a country of labourers following this action, of which some children are doing, the labour which is above them, just to keep their lifes.

3. In a town of over 800 people, you have only two latrine, of which only bugets are being put to the latrine. The whole town is mess up of escreters. This is one way of killing, because dead is so ccmmon in our country today. Since the whole town is mess up with escreter; there is no free Hospital. Without any latrine if your child is cought escrating in the darkess part of the town, his parent should pay three pcunds. Since there is no latrine should our children excrate and eat? The Kamerun wcmen has suffered too much under colonialist system. We want this country, to be a free country. It is the high time for us to manage our own affairs.

President
THERESIA NANA

Secretary
CHARLES F. SENJU
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We include here our Photo card.^{1/}

ONE KAMERUN WOMEN COMMITTEE

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^{1/} Note by the Secretariat: The photograph referred to has been placed in the Secretariat files and is available to the members of the Trusteeship Council on request.