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PETITION FROM MR. ROBERT NDJOCK CONCERNING
THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

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Bot Makak, 2 February 1958

Ndjock Robert, planter and notable,
representative of Paramount Chief Nybem Mayi,
Bot Makak

To the members and the Secretary-General for Trusteeship Affairs,
New York.

Sirs,

I am going to tell you about the harm the UPC is doing us. I and all the planters like myself who are steeped in misery want to know whether the petitions we send from here are reaching you, for the misdeeds of the UPC people are destroying our canton. For the last few months groups from the UPC movement have been murdering all the good village chiefs and planters, with guns and machetes. All the houses in the villages of Bot Makak, Kombé, Mandjandjang and Missoné have been looted and set on fire. We do not know what to do. On 9 November 1957 the Cameroonian Government, through Mr. Mbida, the Prime Minister, launched an appeal and issued instructions, the leaders are still in the maquis, where they organize attacks on their brothers who have refused to go with them. France is doing its utmost to defend the country, but the UPC is finding any number of ways to kill all the people. Our brothers, fathers and relations are chopped into pieces or burned alive. The UPC movement has caused trouble everywhere, for it spreads the propaganda that the United Nations is going to grant independence as soon as all the people are killed.

I no longer live in my own village, for the people who are in the bush are looking for me because I never agreed to go into the maquis with them.

I don't know what to do, I am bringing this to the attention of the Assembly of the United Nations, which receives the leaders of that party who tell us that you are going to give us freedom.

With our sad respects,

(Signed) Robert Ndjock
