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CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

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Residents of Saven-Djungo II of quarter,  
New-Bell, Douala, Cameroons

To the Minister for Overseas France

Sir,

Considering that the "general law" (loi cadre) is merely a round-about way of integrating us within the French Colonial empire,

Considering that the Kamerunian members in the French parliament do not represent the Kamerunian people since some of them are elected only to the French National Assembly,

Considering that the French Government in the Cameroons is continuing to create a rift between the Kamerunians and the French instead of seeking to establish ties of friendship,

Considering that deputy Plantier seeks only to impose a policy of division in the Kamerun without consulting the Kamerunian people, in order to save the French Union,

Considering that the Kamerun, a country under the international Trusteeship of the United Nations, possesses a special status,

Considering that, the Kamerun being a Trust Territory of the United Nations, France has absolutely no right to impose its laws on the Kamerun without consulting the Kamerunian people and the United Nations,

Considering that genuine representatives can only be appointed by the Kamerunian people itself,

We are opposed to any attempt to consult merely the elected representatives of the Kamerun or the present Territorial Assembly, the "general law" in all its forms and the policy of division and African opposition,

Consequently, we request the immediate unification and independence of the Kamerun and the opening of negotiations as soon as possible with the true representatives of the Kamerunian people,

We request the repeal of the Decree of 13 July 1955 dissolving the national liberation movement and its organs, the release of all political prisoners and free expression of opinion for all.

Only if these requests are acceded to, can our aspirations be satisfied.

Long live the unification and independence of the Kamerun.

Long live the right of self-determination of peoples.

Down with the "general law"

Douala, 27 July 1956

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