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COMMUNICATION FROM MR. ETIENNE NGOMSI CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS
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procedure for the Trusteeship Council)

Ngonsi Etienne, planter,
married, father of one child, living at
Manjo (Nkongssamba Subdivision)

To the Chief State Counsel in the Cameroons Yaounde

Sir,

I have the honour to bring the following to the attention of the French
judiciary in the Cameroons:

After the tragic events of May 1955, precipitated by the French colonialist
Government in the Cameroons, events which plunged the whole country into
mourning, the colonialist gangsters, under Hapi Lucas, the Chief of non-local
tribes (chef'etrangers) at Manjo, broke into my house, where they damaged the
articles shown in the attached list.^{1/}

I was unable to harvest my crops of coffee, bananas, colas and vegetables
in 1955 owing to the unacknowledged war unleashed against a defenseless people
in a country under United Nations Trusteeship for the sole purpose of crushing the
national aspirations of the Cameroonian people, which is struggling for Unity and
Independence.

That is why I am lodging a complaint against this puppet Government, of which
Hapi Lucas is the accomplice, for breaking into my house and for theft and damage
to property. I call for the law to be applied.

^{1/} Note by the Secretariat: The list in question has not been received by the
Secretariat.

I shall ask for the return of my belongings and shall claim damages on my property for one year. I shall specify the amount at a later date. I should be willing to deposit any security you may require.

I have the honour to be, etc.

In the maquis, 10 June 1956

(Signed) Ngcinsi, Etienne

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1. State Counsel, Yaoundé
 2. Minister of Justice (Paris)
 3. Trusteeship Council, New York
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