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COMMUNICATION FROM MR. PAUL NGONDJEU CONCERNING THE
CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

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M'balmaya, 2 November 1958

To the President of the International Court at the
United Nations Trusteeship Council, New York

Sir,

The consultation with France at your 887th meeting, on 25 March 1958, still harbours a gross error, for France was wrongly informed by SCOA. France was able to give satisfaction by claiming that I had lost the original of my certificate of employment.

I tell you in all truth that no certificate of employment, except for the certificat service produits (service certificate) that you have in your file, has ever reached me. Mr. President and members of the Council, I ask you to be good enough to request the Administering Authority to send you the despatch record or registered letter in which the SCOA enclosed that document, which is indispensable for a literate worker.

With regard to the misappropriation of funds, I do not think that my statements are in any way fabrications. I therefore beg you to order the immediate seizure of the SCOA records from the date of my appointment, especially at the following branches: Sangmélina, Lolodorf and M'Byo, where I was manager.

I believe that the records of any business should be considered useful for about ten years. There you will see the hand of truth, as I promised in my last statement, not only for me but perhaps for many Cameroonians who have been victimized. That should make it unnecessary for me to travel from the Cameroons to New York at international expense, in accordance with my request to be heard by the Council.

When Mr. Deniau, the Special Representative of France was speaking to the Council, he forgot that the French law of 5 April 1884 debarb the holders of municipal and departmental office from receiving remuneration, except in so far as that law is in conflict with those of the Cameroons under French administration.

I beg you, Mr. President, to study my last statement carefully in conjunction with the copies of letters that SCOA sent to its agent who worked with me at M'balmayo. I also beg you to grant me a hearing before you with my international lawyer, at international expense, as I can never agree to leave that enormous sum with SCOA (see my statement of account). There is no question of misappropriation of funds, as SCOA claims. I asked you to ask for my current account during the period when I was manager. The word "misappropriation" enables the company to evade its responsibility.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) illegible
