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PETITION FROM THE ABANYARWANDA N'ABARUNDI ABADAHEMUKA
CONCERNING RUANDA-URUNDI

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Abanyarwanda n'Abarundi Abadahemuka,
P.O. Box 332
KAMPALA, UGANDA
18th October, 1961

To:

The Chairman of the UNO Assembly,
The Chairman of the Trusteeship Council,
The Chairman of the Security Council,
The Secretary-General of the UNO Assembly,
United Nations Headquarters,
NEW YORK.

Gentlemen,

We, Abanyarwanda and Abarundi Abadahemuka (Union) living in Uganda, and delegations of Abanyarwanda (natives of Rwanda) from Rwanda, the Congo, Kenya and Tanganyika, join together as a United Force and Community known as THE RESURRECTORS OF THE LIVING DEAD (INZURA-BAZIMA in our language) wish to record down our Faith and Trust in King (Umwami) Kigeli V that while we accept him as the only rightful traditional king of our mother land, we also recognise him as the Spiritual Head and Symbol of Unity, Love, and Co-operation. We accept and recognise him as the NYAGASANI UMWAMI NYIRINGOMA KIGELI V, the Defender of Faith, and Lover of Mankind. We commit ourselves to his service and will always work diligently and conscientiously under his leadership and guidance in moral and spiritual matters with love and devotion indefinitely.

We again join together to oppose and protest very strongly the most absurd and morally weak declaration issued by the Resident General, Rwanda-Urundi, on

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2nd and 3rd October that Umwami Kigeli V is no longer the king of Rwanda. We consider it the gravest arbitrary and shameful insult in action ever initiated by such imperialist and his collaborators who are wallowing in the wealth of our country, and are bribing African fools to help them building a New Belgium overseas. Since our king was not put on the throne and crowned by any Belgian colonialist or their stooges, none of them has any right whatsoever to remove him from his position and dignity.

We know for certain that Belgians want to substitute our country for their lost Colony - the Congo. We petition you to rid us of these blood-thirsty tyrants. We petition you to protect our country until it is settled to rule itself. We feel if you fail to do this, there will never be peace and order in our country.

We have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most respectful Servants,

M.G. Haje-Gashegu	Chairman of the delegations.
C.K. Kajangwe	Head of Rwanda delegation.
M. Bugenimana	Head of Uganda delegation.
F. Mukulu	Head of Congo delegation.
M. Bikinango	Head of Kenya delegation.
K. Nkundurwanda	Head of Tanganyika delegation.
