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PETITION FROM THE "UNION DES ABAROZI AFRICAIN DU RUANDA-URUNDI (UAARA)"
CONCERNING RUANDA-URUNDI

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L'UNION DES ABAROZI
AFRICAIN DU RUANDA-URUNDI (UAARA)
P.O. BOX 218, BUKOBA (West Lake Region)
5th June, 1962.

The General Secretary,
The U.N.O. General Assembly,
New York.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that I have been directed by the Union above mentioned to inform you that the Union and its members as a whole strongly protest against the Ruanda-Urundi Independence on the 1st of July, 1962 on the grounds of the following points:-

1. That before the independence the Belgian Government and Belgian Forces be entirely eliminated. For five or six months these two territories should be placed under the Rule of the Tanganyika Government and Tanganyika Military Force with the U.N.O. supervision. The Belgian Government has shown itself to be incapable to rule Ruanda-Urundi.
2. That before the Independence all the refugees, who fled to Uganda and Tanganyike from Ruanda and Urundi, be repatriated to their respective territory for a free vote before the day of the independence.
3. That Umwami Kigeri V. be allowed to return to Ruanda before the final election of the Independence.

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Unless the U.N.O. agrees to do this the Independence for Ruanda and Urundi will mean nothing but the continuation and perpetuation of arson, bloodshed and anarchy in these two territories.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.

(Signature illegible)

CHAIRMAN OF THE UNION.

Copy to:- The Tanganyika Government,
P.O. Box 9000,
Dar-es-Salaam.

" " Uganda Argus,
P.O. Kampala,
Uganda.
