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PETITION FROM Mr. B. TAMO CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS  
UNDER BRITISH ADMINISTRATION

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B. TAMO

Shopkeeper at Tiko,

Street 5.

(signed) illegible

To the President and members of the twelfth session of the United Nations,  
New York, U.S.A.

To the President and delegates of the United Nations.

I feel that this letter of mine will enlighten you a little about the present situation. To begin with, look at Tiko: no dispensary or hospital; all the streets are muddy in winter, there are no W.C.'s, filthy excrements lie about in the streets. I enclose a paper<sup>1/</sup> according to which people in the maquis, who have no work, are compelled to pay a tax, and so I have had to pay the tax for someone who is in the maquis. Is this justice in accordance with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights? My head is whirling, I can't think. I ask the twelfth session of the United Nations to proclaim the total independence of the two Kameruns. God was not stupid when he created one Kamerum. The eleventh session said that independence was to be granted at an early date. The responsibility lies with you at the twelfth session of the United Nations.

<sup>1/</sup> Note by the Secretariat: The enclosure referred to has been placed in the Secretariat files and is available to Members of the Trusteeship Council on request.

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Grant Kamerun immediate independence or let the United Nations close its doors.

I have the honour to be, etc.

Tiko, 18/11/57