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To the President of the Trusteeship Council,
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After a so-called consultation of the electorate, the English colonialists have just decided in favour of the integration of the north-western part of our country with Nigeria.

We protest most strongly against this decision by those whom we consider the declared enemies of our people, and whose right to speak in the name of the Kamerun people we challenge. We do so particularly strongly because, at the first consultation of the electorate, which was accompanied by bayonets, that part of our country voted by a majority against integration with Nigeria.

By allowing new elections in this part of Kamerun and by refusing to combine these elections with the ones held in the south of the country, the United Nations has divided our country into three parts, thus violating the United Nations Charter, which defined the legal status of Kamerun.

In organizing these elections, the imperialists are using the well-known policy of "African opposition" and trying to set the brotherly and innocent peoples of Kamerun and Nigeria against one another.

Ironically, the will of our people has been flouted in the name of the United Nations, just as, in the name of the United Nations, Palestine was dismembered, the division of Korea and Indonesia was made possible, a tragedy - now degenerating into a national calamity - was allowed to continue in Kamerun; and now, in the name of the United Nations, the great Congolese nation has been allowed to disintegrate, its dearest sons have been massacred and the country has been kept in dependence and servitude to the capitalist coalition.

While there is still time, we solemnly declare, before heaven and before mankind, that we will not give up an inch of Kamerunian territory to intruders, and that we will accept this new challenge to fight.

For the Committee of Kamerun Students in Moscow,

Kamine Tchapeyou
Chairman

Njem Jean-Claude
Secretary

Moscow, 5 March 1961
