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NORTHERN KAMERUN DEMOCRATIC PARTY REPRESENTING MAJORITY OF NORTHERN CAMEROONIANS STRONGLY POINT OUT THAT URGENT NEEDS OF NORTHERN CAMEROONIANS ARE ABOGATION OF FEDERAL ELECTIONS ESTABLISHMENT OF SEPARATE ADMINISTRATION AND INSTITUTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS X STRONGLY ADVOCATE THAT SUFFICIENT TIME BE GIVEN BETWEEN NOW AND SECOND PLEBISCITE TO STUDY THE PROBLEMS AT STAKE AND EDUCATE THE PEOPLE X CONSIDER COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE BRITISH INTENTION THAT OUR PLEBISCITE TAKE PLACE AT SAME TIME AS THAT OF SOUTHERN CAMEROONS WHICH HAS BEEN MUCH MORE POLITICALLY DEVELOPED AND AGREE WITH STIPULATIONS OF TELEGRAM OF PREMIER FONCHA^{1/} X STRESS THAT BRITAIN WHO DIVIDED US INTO NORTH AND SOUTH WITHOUT CAUSE IS DUTY BOUND TO SUFFER THE EFFECTS OF HER WORK AND ADMINISTER NORTHERN CAMEROONS SEPARATELY AFTER INDEPENDENCE OF ALL AROUND UNTIL WE ARE READY REPEAT READY TO MAKE CHOICE X ANY ATTEMPT TO FORCE US TO AN EARLY PLEBISCITE IS TO SERVE BRITISH ENDS X ASSURE YOU HOWEVER TO DO OUR BEST TO MAKE PERIOD BETWEEN RESULTS OF SOUTHERN CAMEROONS PLEBISCITE AND OUR OWN SHORTEST POSSIBLE

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