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PETITION FROM THE "JEUNESSE DEMOCRATIQUE CAMEROUNAISE"
CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

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JEUNESSE DEMOCRATIQUE CAMEROUNAISE
Post Office Box 435
DOUALA, Cameroons

PETITION

To: The SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS,
NEW YORK

Sir,

The undersigned citizens of the Cameroons protest vigorously against the arbitrary decision of the Ministers of the Government of the French Republic concerning the dissolution of the UNION DES POPULATIONS DU CAMEROUN (U.P.C.), the JEUNESSE DEMOCRATIQUE CAMEROUNAISE (J.D.C.) and the UNION DEMOCRATIQUE DES FEMMES CAMEROUNAISES (U.D.E.F.E.C.).

This stratagem, which was part of the plan of Mr. Roland PRE, High Commissioner of the French Republic in the Cameroons, when he came to the Cameroons, is designed simply and solely to prevent our giving public expression, during the forthcoming visit of the UNITED NATIONS Mission, to our request for the independence and unification of the Cameroons.

We urgently request you to intervene against this decision, which violates the United Nations Charter.

We remind you that all members of Movements calling for the independence and unification of the Cameroons are denied the right of freedom of the press, of speech, of assembly and of petition, under pain of prosecution.

We recognize the U.P.C., the J.D.C. and the U.D.E.F.E.C. as progressive Cameroonian movements and we place our trust in them.

DOUALA, 19 July 1955

- (Signed) Citizen: TOUKOU Ali: Representative of the GAROUA-VILLE Committee of the JDC
- (Signed) Citizen: MONKAM Jean: Representative of the SEVEN-DJONGO I Committee of the JDC, Douala
- (Signed) Citizen: EITEL ETIA Josué: Representative of the DEIDO Committee of the JDC, Douala
- (Signed) Citizen: ONDOA Alphonse Daudet: Representative of the MESSA Committee of the JDC, YAOUNDE-VILLE
- (Signed) Citizen: MBA Pierre: Representative of the BAFANG Committee of the UPC

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^{1/} Note by the Secretariat: This communication was sent from Victoria, Cameroons under British Administration.