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Union des Populations du Cameroun
Cameroonian Branch of the Rassemblement Democratique Africain
Victoria Central Committee, c/o 435 Douala

MOTION

The Local Committees of Mbanga, Mombo, Loum, Penja and N'samba, meeting in private at Victoria on 29 May 1955, having considered the alarming and sanguinary situation created by Roland Pre, the Colonial Governor, vigorously protest against war and, unarmed, launch an appeal to all the Peoples of the World. The Cameroonian people today launch a last appeal to all mankind. The French Government Roland Pre with his band of lackeys has brought in troops from various French colonies to the Cameroons under French Administration in order to form a front in the Cameroons, known as the Cameroonian front against the communists (U.P.C.), although at the present time there is no political party in the Cameroons. All the Cameroonians ask for is the immediate reunification and independence of the Cameroons.

After Independence the future Cameroonian Government will treat with other Nations on an equal footing in its assemblies, its political parties etc.

We are nothing but a national movement called National Liberation; now our country (Cameroons) has become a real theatre of war. At Nkongsamba, Mbanga, Loum, in the Bamileke country there are countless dead, victims of shooting by the French authorities, and many wounded are in hospital but are getting no treatment, several children have disappeared, women, frightened by the sound of firing, drown themselves in the neighbouring rivers. At night military lorries fire unceasingly on the inhabitants' huts and cause many deaths. At Douala centre-ville New Bell Bassa and at the Bureau Politique du Peuple the dead lie in their blood in the streets. Patrolling lorries of mobile teams of lackeys are carrying out a manhunt organized by Roland Pre, waging a horrible war; from on high warplanes are continually dropping bombs on the unarmed Cameroonian People, traffic is stopped, telecommunications and wireless contact between Douala and Brazzaville are practically blocked.

The attack on the Cameroonian people is extending every day and we therefore call urgently for help from all the Peoples who entrusted us to the French Government, we ask for the immediate repatriation of the Colonialists Roland Pre, J. Perriloup, Bonneau, the town-major, almost all the colonists and their henchmen, etc.

We have the honour, Sir ...

(No signature)

To the Chairman of the Fourth Committee of the General Assembly

Copies to:

The Secretary-General of the United Nations
The Minister of Overseas France
Secours Populaire, Paris
Gwodog, Paris
World Peace Council (Vienna)

Victoria, 28 May 1955
