UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP

COUNCIL





T/PET.5/586 12 May 1955 ENGLISH ORIGINAL: FRENCH

PETITION FROM MR. PAUL DONCO CONCERNING THE CAMERCONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

(Circulated in accordance with rule 85 and supplementary rule F of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council)

COPY

DONGO Paul,

M'Balmayo Centre, Cameroons.

M'Balmayo, 2 May 1955

To: The Secretary-General of the United Nations, New York

Sir,

I have the honour herewith to bring to your attention the misdeeds of Mr. ROLAND Pré, High Commissioner of the French Republic in the Cameroons.

Do not forget in your peaceful haven that Mr. Roland Pré is brutally maltreating the Cameroonian people, in accordance with the promise he made on 27 January 1955 during his official visit to Maroua, Diamaré Region, that he would remove young trouble-makers from the Cameroons.

At this moment Mr. ROLAND Pré is carrying out his promise.

At this moment, in order to remove young trouble-makers: Mr. Roland Pré is organizing groups of gangsters with whose help he is browbeating the Cameroonian people.

Examples of this can be seen at M'Balmayo, Nyong/Sanaga Region; at Obala, Nyong/Sanaga Region; at Douala, Wouri Region.

Mr. Roland Pré sends battalions of unpaid irregulars to the principal Regions to remove the trouble-makers. These battalions are organized by Roland Pré with the help of the Cameroonian colonialist Paramount Chiefs, senior French officials, Chief Regional Officers and Chief Subdivisional Officers.

T/PET.5/586 English Fage 2

These battalions carried out the tasks entrusted to them at Mbounda, Bamiléké Region, where they left countless dead and wounded, and later, on 24 April 1955, at Bafoussam, where persons were also killed and wounded.

In order to remove the trouble-makers, Mr. Roland has sworn before French assemblies in the Cameroons that he would murder our delegate Ruben Um Nycmbe before the international Visiting Mission's arrival in the Cameroons.

In order to remove the trouble-makers, Mr. Roland Pré forbids Cameroonians to hold meetings. In order to remove the trouble-makers Mr. Roland Pré sent a band of murderers in pursuit of our delegates, who are harried from one end of the Cameroons to the other. In order to remove the trouble-makers Mr. Roland Pré from time to time transfers officials from the North to the South.

These are Roland Pré's misdeeds, to perpetrate which he applied in France for the position of Governor of the Cameroons.

For all these reasons the Cameroonian people wish to throw off their yoke and achieve Unification and Independence.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) Dongo Paul.