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PETITION FROM Mr. ABRAHAM NOUMBE CONCERNING THE
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Douala, 28 November 1956

To the Secretary-General of the United Nations

Sir,

I call once again for the unification and independence of our country, the Kameroun; I also wish to inform you that repressive measures have been increasing in severity since May 1955. We have refused to participate in any elections until our Kameroun has achieved Independence.

France is not the only Power in the world. Wherever blood is shed, France is responsible. We would inform you that our Traditional Chief of the village of Baham, Bafoussan Subdivision and our comrade Laa Pierre, a Notable and Municipal Councillor of the village of Mbouda have been arrested.

Since 18 November 1956 when we abstained from voting in the bogus election held under the so-called loi-cadre, the streets of Douala have been patrolled constantly and arrests have been made every night. Mothers and children are whipped and pregnant women are having miscarriages.

We request you to secure:

- (1) The release of our political prisoners seized in May 1955.
- (2) A complete amnesty for our brothers who have had to flee.
- (3) The abrogation of the Decree of 13 July 1955 dissolving our national movements.
- (4) Our delivery from the hands of our enemies, or let us die!

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You have assumed the obligation to defend us and therefore you are responsible for us.

Unification and independence for Kamerun.

Long live the United Nations.
