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PETITION FROM THE "UNION DES POPULATIONS DU CAMEROUN" CONCERNING  
THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

Note by the Secretary-General: In accordance with rule 85 and supplementary rule F of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council, the Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the members of the Trusteeship Council and to the Government of Italy as the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of Somaliland, a communication dated 22 October 1952 from the "Union des populations du Cameroun" concerning the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under French administration.

This communication forms a second supplement to the petition set forth in document T/PET.5/119.

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UNION DES POPULATIONS DU CAMEROUN

Cameroons Branch of the Rassemblement Democratique Africain

B.P. 435 - Douala

Douala, 22 October 1952

To the Secretary-General of the United Nations,  
Lake Success, New York

Sir,

I have pleasure in acknowledging receipt of your letter T/PET.5/119 of 13 October and in thanking you for your promptness in replying to my letter of 4 October.

I wish to confirm that it is the desire of the Union des Populations du Cameroun to send a delegation to make an oral statement, or several oral statements if possible, on the points raised in my letter of 4 October and on any other points which the peoples of the Cameroons may wish to submit to the seventh session of the United Nations General Assembly. It is understood that the statement will refer solely to questions connected with the international trusteeship system, which includes the Cameroons under French administration.

As regards my petition of 14 August 1952, concerning, among other things, the Administering Authority's interference with private correspondence, I have to inform you that after a strong protest from our office to the Director of Posts and Telecommunications and after the public had been informed through the press of the failure to deliver your letter of 22 August, a sealed envelope with the United Nations heading, postmarked 22 August by the post office of origin and with no postmark of the post office of destination was found in our post office box on 11 October.

I requested a process-server to make the necessary affidavit and I shall transmit to you a supplementary report in confirmation of my protests of 14 August and 4 October 1952.

In view of this alarming situation as regards the postal services in the Territory, I should be grateful if you would do your utmost to ensure that the cable notifying me of the decision of the General Assembly's Fourth Committee does not reach me too late.

Thanking you in advance, I have the honour to be etc.

(signed) Ruben Um Myobe

General Secretary of the U.P.C.

Received at United Nations headquarters on 27 October 1952

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