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PETITION FROM MR. APADINUWE CONCERNING NAURU

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to the Secretary-General by the United Nations Visiting  
Mission to Trust Territories in the Pacific.

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The Chairman  
The Visiting Mission  
Nauru.

Dear Sir,

I beg to introduce myself before I make known the purpose of my writing  
to your mission this time. This is the second time I have to do so.

My name is Apadinuwe a victim of poliomyelitis and a father of a family  
of seven including my wife and five children and one is expecting.

I beg to request your mission to consider further assistance in monetary  
grant to enable me to live decently. We are better off at present as a result  
of the last Mission representations to higher authority. Every month now we  
are drawing grant money and goods to the value of £3. 5. 4 per month from  
N.C. Society for the children.

I should like also to make special request to your mission to negotiate  
further with the U.K. Government a governing body for Ocean island in Gilbert  
and Ellice islands group for a claim I have for Phosphate Royalty on Ocean  
island. I have, on irregular period in the past received some Royalty money  
but I am wondering if this could not be improved as to regularity of payment.

I do not wish to get all the services free for if you could arrange it with the local authority for a suitable job. I will only be too pleased to work for a living such work as handwork for boys and woodwork. Fishing net plaiting etc.

I am

Yours respectfully  
(Signed) APADINUWE

Administration grant £6.10 per month

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