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PETITION FROM MR. MOHAMED OMAR
CONCERNING SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

Note by the Secretary-General: In accordance with rule 85 and supplementary rules F and L of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council, the Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the members of the Trusteeship Council, to the Government of Italy as the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of Somaliland, and to the Governments of Colombia, Egypt, and the Philippines as members of the Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland, a communication dated 21 December 1952 from Mr. Mohamed Omar concerning the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian Administration.

This communication was transmitted to the Secretary-General by the United Nations Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration.

Received 6 January 1953

To: The United Nations Advisory Council

I, the undersigned, a former Askari assistant clerk in the customs office, declare that after 21 years of service I was terminated without cause on 16 December. The Administration informed me that I will not receive any compensation for my years of service. There was no mention of the cause for my dismissal.

I wish to advise you that on 7 November 1952 there was a fight between two men, one belonging to the pro-Italian party and the other to the Somali Youth League. The latter was arrested on Friday and on the same day I was also arrested and kept in prison for twenty days. Following my release I returned to my job and remained for eighteen days before I was dismissed.

I wish to inform you that I am innocent of all accusations and I beg you to help me recover my right.

21 December 1952

(Signed) Mohamed Omar, Somali
Bender Kassim

Received by United Nations Advisory Council in Mogadiscio on 6 January 1953.
