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PETITION FROM MRS. ANOT WARSAMA 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 14 February 1952 from Mrs. Anot Warsama 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.

Translated from Italian

Mogadiscio, 14 February 1952.

To: The United Nations Advisory Council,
Mogadiscio.

I the undersigned ANOT WARSAMA, at present resident in Mogadiscio, respectfully forward this my application for your careful examination and benevolent consideration of the following:

1. I owned a small herd of animals in the Mudugh Province, near Gardo, which consisted of:

500 goats

100 cows

20 camels

40 asses.

My herd has been destroyed by poisoning at the time in which the administration of the country was taken over by the Italian Administration, as a consequence of poisoned locust bait strewn all over the above-mentioned area during the anti-locust campaign. The fact happened under the Italian Administration in Somaliland.

2. I can produce witnesses of the fact that I lost my herd during the aforesaid period and that the destruction happened because of poisoned bait strewn by the scout located in the Mudugh Province. The witnesses are Ali Fara, Shire Boss, and other persons besides the chief of tribe.

4. I close this application hoping that the Council will give its support to me in order to obtain from the competent authority compensation for the damage I suffered from the poison strewn by the Government in the area where I grazed my herds.

I am a widow with seven sons and daughters:

1. Abdi Mohamed

2. Omar Mohamed

3. Giama Mohamed

4. Marian Mohamed

5. Faduma Mohamed

6. Ibada Mohamed

7. Amina Mohamed.

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Having lost our heritage we are living in poverty and rely only on your help and consideration to obtain justice and compensation.

Your most devoted

(fingerprint)

P.S.

The death of my herd did not happen because of dryness but only after the animals drank poisoned rain water.

Received by the United Nations Advisory Council in Mogadiscio on
16 February 1952.