

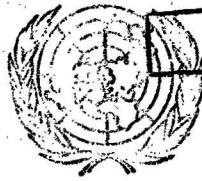
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PETITION FROM CHIEFS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CABILA RER MOHAMUD
TRIBES AND SIX OTHER TRIBES CONCERNING SOMALILAND
UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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 3 April 1952 from Chiefs and Representatives of the Cabila Rer Mohamud Tribes and six other Tribes, 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.

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Galcaio, 3rd April 52

To:

THE UNITED NATIONS ADVISORY
COUNCIL FOR THE TRUST TERRITORY
OF SOMALILAND UNDER
ITALIAN ADMINISTRATIONS MOGADISHU

Copy to: THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR
OF SOMALIA MOGADISHU

" " THE MUDUGH PROVINCIAL
COMMISSIONER GALCAIO. (for information)

Subject: VIGOROUS PROTEST AGAINST DAHIR SED AND ISMAIL GIAMA
GIS REPRESENTATION AT THE TERRITORIAL COUNCIL AS
MUDUGH REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE YEAR OF 1952

We the undersigned Chiefs, Notables, Sceiks and dignitaries of Cabila Rer Mohamud Tribes respectfully beg to bring to your August attention our vigorous protest against Mrs. Dahir Sed Giama and Ismail Giama Gis representation at the Territorial Council as Mudugh Province's representatives for the following reasons:

- 1, Mrs. Dahir and Ismail, who were the Secretary and Vice Secretary of the namely existing "Lega Progressista Somala" party since the return of the Italian Administration to Somalia i.e. when this party was founded, had been nominated by the Local Authority, without being fairly elected by the inhabitants of this circumscription.
- 2, Certainly, the so-called "Lega Progressista Somala" party to which these two "Lionized" fellows belong is, in fact, existing by name in this province. The Trusteeship Council's Visiting Mission, who visited Galcaio Sometimes in the Last Year of 1951 and, the Advisory Council's Visiting Mission, who Visited this Province sometimes in February, 1952 can, if necessary, impartially testify, accordingly.
- 3, Educationally, our brothers, Mrs. Dahir and Ismail are absolutely illiterate, who, without being unjustly discredited, can not neither write nor read properly in any language. This is a violation of an Article of the Council's regulations contents of which we are unfortunately unable to portray therein due to unavailability of it, but, however, read that the Councillors should write and read properly in one of the languages usefully existing in the Territory, particularly English, Arabic or Italian.

Note: Identical letters were received on 11 and 28 April 1952 from the following tribes:

Cabila Wabeneie Tribes	dated 7 April 1952, Galcaio
Cabila Rer Herzi Tribes	" 7 April 1952 "
Cabila Rer Bidiahan Tribes	" 5 April 1952 "
Cabila Rer Abdulla Farah Tribes	" 5 April 1952 "
Cabila Rer Calaf Tribes	" 13 April 1952 "

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4, Additionally, neither Mr. Dahir nor Mr. Ismail is chief of a Tribe nor, even, popular by his own tribe, but, contrarily, because of being directive members of namely existing party, which is categorically "pro Italian", they were so nominated by the Administration in order to betray their lovely motherland to its worst enemy for personal interest.

5, Many protests were intensively manifested by the inhabitants concerned against such a "gerrymander" but, unfortunately, no consideration was apathetically contemplated, whatsoever, on the part of the Administration.

6, Nevertheless, reading with keen interest of the expressions and opinions given by each of the councillors on the matters discussed to date in the Council, expressions and opinions which had been published in the Local paper (Corriere della Somalia), we found it out that, all that expressed and opinionated by Mrs. Dahir and Ismail were absolutely of innouendo, petty and spurious struggles for which end they were, of course, constituted.

7, In short, we would emphatically like to make it clear that, Mrs. Dahir and Ismail are under no circumstance representing at that Council in our name for any form or guise.

In conclusion, your consideration on this important protest is greatly appreciated with many thanks in anticipation.

We have the honour to be Sirs,
your most obedient.

Signed:-

- 1, Shire Elmi Yalah
- 2, Uarsama Mohamed
- 3, Giama Hassan Ghiven
- 4, Aden Mohamed Dude
- 5, Aden Yare Uarsama
- 6, Mohamed Liban
- 7, Abscir Samantar
- 8, Giama Uarsama
- 9, Olad Giama
- 10, Sceik Mohauud Hassan
- 11, " Mohamed Ali Herzi
Jusuf Osmom

Received by the UN Advisory Council in Mogadiscio on 11 April 1952.
