UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL



GENERAL

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PETITIONS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DISSO, EMIT AND WANGHEL TRIBES CONCERNING SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

Note by the Secretary-General: In accordance with rule 84 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, three communications dated 17, 20 and 22 September 1951 from representatives of the Disso, Emit and Wanghel tribes concerning the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration. The communications were transmitted to the Secretary-General by the United Nations Visiting Mission to Trust Territories in Fast Africa, and form a supplement to the petitions set forth in document T/PET.11/45.

/TO: VISIT T/PET.11/45/Add.1

TO: VISIT COMMISSIONERS OF ITALY TRUSTEESHIP TERRITORY OF SOMALIA

Baido, 17 Sept. 1951

We the undersigned representatives of tribe DISSO* we have the honour to inform you that, the following lines for your consideration and intervention.

We are the tribe of Disso we want to let you know that we are in condition of slavery made by italian trustship Administration. Because we are not free from italian Administration. The reason is this: the Italian Administration put us under control of another tribe while the tribe of Disso had separate chief for their own tribe.

Furthermore, openly we inform you that, every reason of our matter is changed by Province Commissioner, for that reason we can't have any right from Italian Administration, while the province Commissioner informs to the Administrator very different trasletion about our matters.

Again we inform you that, the tribe of Disso is not under protection of Province Commissioner, because there is very cruel decision made by province Commissioner. The decision is this: monthly arresting to the elders and sceks of tribe Disso with no reason at all.

We the tribe Disso wrote more than 7 application to the Administration against over mentioned matters and we have not received any answer except once by the province Commissioner. And we were not in favour of what he says to us, because it was not right.

We sincerely hope that the matter will be taken up to the authority by you, and thanking you in anticipation we pary to remain your excellencies:-

We have the honour your excellencies your most obedient servants

The representatives of tribe DISSO'

- 1) Sheik Mohamed Muctar
- 2) Sheik Abdinur Sheik Aden
- 3) Sheik Abdo Abdurahman
- 4) Sheik Abdulla Abdo
- 5) Sheik Issak Ahmed
- 6) Sheik Abdio Ibrahim
- 7) Alan Aden Abdo

Note by the Secretariat: Two other petitions with texts identical to the above were received by the Visiting Mission:

- (a) petition dated 20 September 1951 from representatives of the Emit tribe, signed by Scek Mohamed Amin, Ahmed Hassan Issak, Amin Alio Abdulle, Aden Abdo Hassano and others.
- (b) petition dated 22 September 1951 from representatives of the Wanghel tribe, signed by Sheik Issak Aden, Sheik Osman Sheik Mursal, Sheik Mohamed Ibrahim, Sheik Hassan Mohamed and others.