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PETITION FROM MESSRS. SEIDI IBRAHIM, SEID AHMED MOUSSAN, DOBLE YOUSUF AND OTHERS CONCERNING SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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

To the Advisory Council

COPY to the Administrator, Dr. Anzilotti, Mogadiscio

We the undersigned, aqils, notables and young men of the tribe of
Ali Suleiman residing in Bosaso, who cabled to you on 15 July 1955 their
complaint against their District Commissioner do hereby resubmit our complaint
against our Commissioner Signor Devito.

- 1) We are a tribe of Somalia which will become free and independent at the
specified date. The inhabitants of our district, however, are very backward
and we cannot expect any progress so long as this Commissioner stays with us
because he obstructs and interferes with our liberties and future independence.
- 2) He is not stable in his dealings as a Commissioner and has done no good
neither for our country nor for ourselves and whenever we come to him for our
affairs or for requesting him to stop harming us we cannot meet him because he
pretends to be sick although he is not. He shouts at us and threatens us while
he welcomes certain others who support him in his oppression and in his insults
to the country.
- 3) We are a Moslem nation which respects its religion but he acts openly and
contrary to our religion and disgraces us to such an extent that he tries to
harm any woman he sees, married or otherwise.

- 4) He has done nothing to help our economy but on the contrary he has done us harm in that field. He declares to all people during his visit to the hinterland that government has given the district a large amount of money. We have been told that the money sent belongs to the Incense Company but he spends it on projects which tend to harm our future and to break our unity.
- 5) He has surrounded himself in each town by a number of people who have betrayed their country and brothers and pays them stipends and gifts while they try to support him in his oppression. Whenever we complain to government against him, his supporters cable denials to our complaints to the Administering Authority.
- 6) Please take into consideration our complaint and render us justice by his transfer from our area.

(Sign.) Seidi Ibrahim
and 9 others

Bosaso

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(Sign.) Dobel Yousuf (?)
 and 9 others

Bosaso (no date)

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(Sign.) Seid Ahmed Moussan
 and 12 others

Bosaso 18-7-1955
