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PETITION FROM THE SOMALI NATIONAL FRONT CONCERNING
SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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THE SECRETARY GENERAL
THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANISATION
NEW YORK, N.Y.

Sir,

The Somali National Front draws the attention of the U.N.O. Secretary General the following remarks:

In reference with a letter of protest submitted to the Secretary General of the United Nations by the Somali Democratic Party against the Representative of Egypt to the U.N.O. Advisory Council on Somaliland; the Egyptian teachers in Somaliland and; after all; the Egyptian Government,^{1/} we feel it our duty to bring to the notice of the Secretary General that such accusation and any other accusations of that nature which might have been submitted by any other source or sources in Somaliland are totally destitute of foundation and deserve not to be taken into consideration.

The Somali Democratic Party; which has only 3 seats in the recently elected Legislative Assembly, has no influential representation in the Country's political activities.

1/ Note by the Secretariat: See T/PET.11/668 and Add.1 and 2.
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Needless to state, the Egyptian Representative to U.N. Advisory Council is here with a specified mission vested in him by the U.N.O. at its Advisory Council on Somaliland, while the teachers referred to by the above mentioned party have been generously offered, at the request of Somali people, by the Government of Egypt, with a view to combating against illiteracy which prevails in Somaliland. Accordingly, the activities and functions of the teachers in question are restrictly limited to teachings.

In this connection, we wish to point out once again that the Somali people are very much appreciative to the Government of Egypt for such beneficial deed, hoping that the other nations will follow such humanitarian act with regard to Somaliland.

In conclusion, we would, therefore, be extremely grateful if the Secretary General would kindly draw these our observations to the members of the Trusteeship Council.

With all due respect,

- 1) Aden Abdulla Osman (President of Somali Youth League)
- 2) Abdinur Mohamed Hussein (President of Hisbia Dighil Mirifle)
- 3) Sharif Mohamud Abdurahman (President of Lega Mussulmans)
- 4) Sharif Mohamed Hussein (President of Unione Giovani Benadir)

- 1) Illegible
 - 2) MOHAMED
 - 3) SCERIF MOHAMUD HUSSEN
 - 4) (Signed in Arabic)
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