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PETITION FROM THE PRESIDENTS OF THE SOMALI INDEPENDENT CONSTITUTIONAL PARTY,
THE GREAT SOMALI LEAGUE, THE SOMALI YOUTH LIBERAL PARTY AND THE YOUTH
BENADIR UNION CONCERNING SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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UNO SECRETARY GENERAL NYK

FOLLOWING SOMALI PARLIAMENTARY DECISION POLITICAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN
SOMALIA UN TRUST TERRITORY ON MARCH FIFTH 1959 STOP TO AVOID FOREIGN INTERFERENCE
AND ASSURE FREE IMPARTIAL SMOOTH ELECTION ON BEHALF OF POLITICAL PARTIES WE
REPRESENT COMMA WE BEG UNO TO SEND TEAMS OF OBSERVERS TO CONTROL ELECTORAL
ACTIVITIES AS DONE IN UNO TRUST TERRITORY OF TOGOLAND STOP WE ARE DEEPLY SHOCKED
AND ACCORDINGLY PROTEST AGAINST PARLIAMENTARY DECISION THAT NEWLY ELECTED
LEGISLATIVE AND CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY REMAINS IN OFFICE FOR TERM OF FIVE YEARS
AS INFLUENCED BY ITALIAN ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY IN CONTRADICTION WITH
ARTICLE TWENTYFIVE OF TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT AS TERM EXCEEDS MANDATE PERIOD
STOP WE FULLY SUPPORT UNO ADVISORY COUNCIL VIEW REGARDING TWO YEARS TERM OFFICE
FOR MENTIONED ASSEMBLY STOP WE FURTHER PROTEST AGAINST PARLIAMENTARY DECISION
ON FOLLOWING POINTS: REJECTION OF NATIONAL LIST FOR WHOLE TERRITORY DISTRIBUTION
OF SEATS BEFORE VOTING STOP WE ALSO PROTEST AGAINST GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL REGARDING
VERY HEAVY DEPOSIT TO BE PAID BY CANDIDATES WITH MERE AIM OF EXCLUDING OTHER
POLITICAL PARTIES FROM PRESENTING THEIR LISTS AND HANDICAP THEM IN EVERY
IMAGINABLE WAY THUS TO ASSURE MAJORITY BEFOREHAND FOR THE PARTY IN POWER WHICH
IS STRONGLY SUPPORTED AND INFLUENCED BY ITALIAN ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY AGAINST
SOMALI INTEREST STOP PLEASE DISTRIBUTE COPY OF THIS TELEGRAM TO ALL MEMBER

NATIONS STOP GELANI SCEK BIN SCEK PRESIDENT OF SOMALI INDEPENDENT CONSTITUTIONAL
PARTY HAGI MOHAMED HASSAN PRESIDENT OF GREAT SOMALI LEAGUE HAGI MOHAMUD BORACCO
PRESIDENT OF SOMALI YOUTH LIBERAL PARTY AND ABUDACAR HAMUD SOCORO PRESIDENT
YOUTH BENADIR UNION
