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UNSIGNED PETITION FROM "CORPO DI POLIZIA DELLA SOMALIA"
CONCERNING SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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transmitted to the Secretary-General by the United
Nations Advisory Council for the Trust Territory
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Dear, Sir.

We have the honour to forward this petition to the United Nations and ask your justice and democratic consideration on the following difficulties.

It was great calamity to us when the Italian Administration had increased the salaries for all workers in 1954, and excluded the Corpo di Polizia della Somalia. Another calamity was when they called a meeting for increasing our salary, and decided to increase us (So, 20) starting from J. 1955, and (So, 30) for the length of the service. But Colonelo Rima di Mayana proposed to A.F.I.S. that the starting of paying this increment from J. 1955, will damage the financial balance of the Government, and in the same time asked A.F.I.S. for and authorization to deal with this matter and start this increment from October 1955, because he said I have special method to carry out with the dealing of the reduction increment. This method was to force the Police, and to compel us to take this (20 So) with three months increment, and he did it. It was yesterday morning when they passed a circulation to all stations, and started paying that three months increment. As we were aware of the situation, we asked their consideration about this three months increment. But this was not sounded good to the Somali Police Officers and they took it as a disobedience, and was arrested (100) men and is very probable that they will discharge them from the Police force. We would like that UN will know the difference among the A.F.I.S. employee, and why some workers are

paid fully and some are paid three months only. This is because Colonoelo Rma di Mayana wants that the Police will make strik, and to bring the Carbingneri and A.F.I.S. wants this too. United Nations was hearing other day the appreciation of A.F.I.S. about the Police and the way we have done the peace and the order of the territory, on the celebration day of the Police. This had made clear that we had collaborated with A.F.I.S. and were obedient to them. This is our first petition to the UN against the Italian Administration, and we want that UN will study this matter and see where the mistake is coming from, on the side of the A.F.I.S. or on the side of the Police. And let us know the result through the Somali Corriera, because we can not send representatives because we are fearing that they will put us into the prison. In addition to that we would like that UN will see how the Italian Administration is very satisfy with our work and in the same time treating us out of the local rule. It will give surprise to the UN if we say we have this difficult duty to discharge everyday, there are 12 hours that every preson to carryout (6) at night and (6) at day time.

We will remain extremely happy if the UN will study this matter with great attention.

(we could hardly sign because of fear)

Corpo di Polizia
della Somalia

United Nations Advisory Council
in Mogadiscio, for Somaliland
