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Seventh session

Draft second report of the ai hoc Committee on Petitions

Chairman: Mr. MEICHIOR P. AQUINO (Philippines)

- 1. The al hoc Committee on Petitions, established by the Trusteeship Council at the fourth meeting of its seventh session, and composed of the representatives of Belgium, China, the Dominican Republic, New Zealand, the Philippines and the United States of America, examined during its first three meetings on 14, 21 and 26 June, the following petitions referred to it by the Council:
 - (1) Petition from Mrs. Jane T. Wallace concerning New Guinea (T/PET.8/2);
 - (2) Petition from Mr. Jenes Toe concerning the Cameroons under British administration (T/PET.4/65);
 - (3) Petition from Mr. N. Skouloukos concerning the Camercons under French administration (T/PET.5/69);
 - (4) Petition from Mr. Methias Mbongue Minyangadou concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/77 and Corr.1);
 - (5) Petition from The Committee of the <u>Union des Populations du Cameroun</u> at Otélé concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/78);
 - (6) Petition from Mr. J. E. Albert Togney concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/79);
 - (7) Petition from Mr. Njaillou Ouamenon concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/80);
 - (8) Petition from The Executive Committee of the <u>Union des Populations du Cameroun</u> concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/81);
 - (9) Petition from Mr. Daniel Kemajou concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/82);
 - (10) Petition from Mr. Ernest Eyour concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/48).

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- 2. Mr. S. A. Lonergan, in the case of the petition concerning New Guinea, Mr. J. K. Thompson, in the case of the petition concerning the Cameroons under British administration, and Mr. H. Laurentie, in the case of the petitions concerning the Cameroons under French administration, participated in the examination as the representatives of the respective Administering Authorities.
- 3. The ad hoc Committee submits herewith to the Council its report on these petitions.

1. PETITION FROM MRS. JANE T. WALLACE CONCERNING NEW GUINEA

(T/PET.8/2)

A. Summary of the petition

The petitioner charged that the Natives are made to clear up explosives from an area of land and alleged that the Administering Authority is attempting to deprive certain Natives of their land for the purpose of building a new community.

The petitioner, believing that the head-tax was introduced in order to force the Natives into contract labor, stated that her late son had shared the same views and advocated that the Natives be encouraged to plant their virgin land and that they be given the same prices for their produce as were paid to Europeans and Chinese. She also stated that her son had recommended that the Native language be taught to both sexes until the age of eight or nine before they are taught the English language. Girls, at present, she charged, are still barred from school.

Attached to the petition are three extracts, two from the Melbourne Sun dated 15/12/49 and one from the Age dated 17/12/49.

B. Summery of the observations of the Administering Authority

The written observations of the Administering Authority are contained in document T/699.

With regard to the petitioner's contention that Natives are made to clear up explosives in a certain area, the Administering Authority states that Natives were offered payment for their voluntary resistance in the location of missiles, which were then exploded by an Army bomb disposal unit, and that no Native has been killed or injured except as the result of indiscriminate handling of explosives despite official warnings.

With regard to the petitioner's charges concerning the use of Native land

for a new community, the Administering Authority states that the land in question was returned to the indigenous owners when it was found that it was no longer needed as a site for a Native hospital.

The Administering Authority further states that for the year ending.

30 June 1949 the head tax regulations were not operative and that abolition of the tax is under consideration; that the implication in the petition that the indigenous inhabitants do not receive the same payment for their produce as Europeans and Chinese, is incorrect; that the vernacular is used in primary village schools and that a considerable proportion of pupils attending schools in the Territory are girls.

C. Action taken by the ad hoc Committee

This petition was examined and discussed at the first meeting of the ad hoc Committee on 14 June 1950. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.1.

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as Resolution 1.

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2. PETITION FROM MR. JAMES TOE CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER BRITISH ADMINISTRATION (T/PET.4/65)

A. Summary of the potition

The petitioner described various domestic difficulties. Among other things he complained that the allotment money for two years and seven months which was to have been paid to his wife was not paid to her, although the paymaster in Lagos told him it had been paid. He also mentioned a court case in which he was told by the District Officer that he should call the District Officer as a witness "for the sum of £1.5s.0d". The petitioner stated that he paid this sum but had "seen nothing which he has done", and that although he wrote the District Officer two letters "he did not care about such matter".

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority
The written observations of the Administering Authority are contained in
document T/667.

The Administering Authority suggests that that part of the petition which deals with grievances about money payments could be the subject of action in the courts and is therefore inadmissible under rule 81 of the rules of procedure for the Council. The Administering Authority further suggests that with regard to the petitioner's complaints that his children do not obey him, he should be informed that the Council cannot intervene in the matter of his relations with his children.

C. Action taken by the Ad Hoc Committee

This petition was examined and discussed at the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on 14 June 1950. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.1.

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as resolution 2.

3. PETITION FROM MR. N. SKOULOUKOS CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION (T/PET.5/69)

A. Summary of the petition

The petitioner stated that in 1935 he was commissioned to operate the government transports for the mail, European and Native staff and material. The devaluation of the franc in 1936 allegedly brought him serious financial difficulties, and he appealed to the Governor asking for an amendment of his transport tariffs, but the appeal was denied. He claimed that his losses amounted to 318,000 francs and were responsible for delays in his transport services, for which the Government fined him 183,200 francs. He maintained that he brought the case before the Conseil du Contentieux Administratif and at the same time a Government Commission de Revision de Marchés was ordered to study and report on the subject. Later, he contended he was offered a sum of 115,000 francs by the Governor General as an indemnity but was still expetted to pay the fines, which exceeded the amount of the indemnity by 73,000 francs. The Conseil d'Etat in Paris in 1944 upheld the decision of the lower court, and the petitioner had to pay the 188,200 francs in fines. The question of his indemnities, he stated is still pending.

He claimed a sum of money totalling 2,000,000 france CFA to cover the refunding of the money he had paid in fines (188,200 france), the payment of the sum accorded him by the <u>Commission de Revision de Marchés</u> (allegedly 200,000 france), and "the exchange difference between 1937 and 1949 increased by the legal interest".

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority

The Administering Authority submitted its observations on this petition in the form of an oral statement by its special representative to the ad hoc Committee on Petitions at its second meeting on 21 June 1950.

The representative pointed out that as the petitioner stated himself the case set forth in the petition had been disposed of by the administrative courts, namely the <u>Conseil du Contentieux Administratif</u> and in last instance the <u>Conseil during</u> and therefore the petition was inadmissible under rule 81 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

He stated, however, that he was not sure whether the question of the indemnities which had been offered to the petitioner by the Governor General was covered by the decision of the <u>Conseil d'Etat</u> since he had not received the text of the <u>Arrêt du Conseil d'Etat</u>.

C. Action taken by the ad hoc Committee

The ad hoc Committee agreed at its second meeting on 21 June 1950 to defer consideration of this petition until it receives the text of the Arrêt du Conseil d'Etat. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.2.

4. PETITION FROM MR. MATHIAS MBONGUE MINYANGADOU CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION (T/PET.5/77)

A. Summary of the petition

The petitioner placed before the Trusteeship Council a land dispute which had existed between him and the Administration of the Territory for almost twenty-eight years.

The land in question (sketch map attached to petition) was granted to his father in 1903 by the Bonamikengué-Alwa-Duala Community subject to all the guarantees under local custom. In 1921-1922, part of this land was let by the petitioner to Mr. Tabourel who was preferred to another applicant, Mr. Beynis, a friend of the Paramount Chief Din Akwa. Out of spite, the latter informed Mr. Chazelas, Chief Regional Officer of Duala, that the land in question was the property of the German Administration; upon receiving this report Mr. Chazelas surmoned the petitioner to inform him that he (the petitioner) was not authorized to regard the land as his.

As a precaution against the possible loss of his land, the petitioner built a dwelling-house on the part facing the Rue du Roi Albert; but the portion in question, that facing the Rue Japoma, is still in dispute.

The petitioner requested the Trusteeship Council to make representations to the French Administration in the Cameroons, with a view to reaching a final decision in the case. He is applying for recognition of his rights over the land in dispute, or else for compensation in the event of expropriation.

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority

The Administering Authority submitted its observations on this petition in the form of an oral statement by its representative to the ad hoc Committee on Petitions at its second meeting on 21 June 1950. He stated that the land in question had belonged to the petitioner's father and in fact did belong to the petitioner, but that he had not established his title to the land by the required legal procedure. The reason why the petitioner had neglected to establish his title to the land was perhaps that he was not sure that his title was clear; he might be apprehensive that cousins or other persons might claim part-ownership of the land. In his opinion the Trusteeship Council should recommend to the

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petitioner that he undertake the legal procedure necessary to determine his right to the land, a procedure which did not involve any expense.

C. Action taken by the ed hoc Committee

This petition was examined and discussed at the second meeting of the ad hoc Committee on 21 June 1950. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.2.

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as Resolution 3.

DU CAMEROUN AT OTELE CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION (T/PLT.5/78)

A. Summary of the petition

The petitioners protest vigorously against the system of the indigenat and forced labour imposed by Mr. Maurage, Deputy Chief of the Sub-Division of Yaundé. They report that several natives have been sentenced without trial and request the Trusteeship Council to make representations to the French authorities with a view to the discontinuance of such abuses.

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority

The Administering Authority submitted its observations on this petition in the form of an oral statement by its representative to the ad hoc Committee on Petitions at its second meeting on 21 June 1950. He stated that, with regard to the charges concerning the arrest and sentencing of natives without trial, the allegations gave no details as to the persons condemned or the date of the incident referred to, making it impossible for the Administering Authority to reply. With regard to the procests against the system of the indigenat and forced labour he stated that the charges were so vague that the Administering Authority could not comment on them.

C. : Action taken by the ad hoo Committee

This petition was examined and discussed at the second meeting of the ed hoc Committee on 21 June 1930. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.2.

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as Resolution 4.

6. PETITION FROM MR. J.E. ALBERT TOGNET CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION (T/PET.5/79)

A. Summary of the petition

The petitioner, who is the father of ten children and served as a volunteer in the Free French Forces during the last world war, states that in spite of the promises made by General &s Caulle that after the liberation the African peoples would receive independence in the French Union, the Cameroons and the other countries are receiving the same treatment as they used to under the Third Republic.

In connexion with this matter he was twice received in audience in the private office of Mr. Marius Moutet and Mr. Coste-Floret, who served successively as Ministers for Overceas France, but he says he did not succeed in obtaining any positive result in these interviews. In the circumstances the petitioner, acting in the name and on the instructions of the Assemblée représentative des Peuples Camerounais and of the Association des Originaires de l'Afrique equatoriale, asks to be invited to the United Nations so that he may explain the wrongs from which the Negroes of Africa are suffering at present.

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority

The Administering Authority submitted its observations on this petition in the form of an oral statement by its representative to the ad hoc Committee on Petitions at its second meeting on 21 June 1950. He made available to the committee two communications: one statement from the Assemblée représentative du Cameroun denied that Mr. Togney was qualified to act in its name; the other communication from Chief Amougou stated that Mr. Togney had written to him asking for support and that he had refused, stating that the people of the Cameroons did not need Mr. Togney's intervention.

C. Action taken by the ad hoc Committee

This petition was exemined and discussed at the first and second meetings of the ad hoc Committee on 14 and 21 June 1950. The relevant discussion is contained in documents T/AC.24/SR.1 and T/AC.24/SR.2

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as Resolution 5.

7. PETITION FROM MR. NJAILLOU OUSMANON CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION (T/PET.5/80)

A. Surmary of the petition

The petitioner, who served the French Administration for more than eighteen years and who is a clerk, first class, in the Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs, requested the United Nations to make representations to the Chief of the Cameroons Territory so that he may receive amends for an injustice which he (the petitioner) had suffered.

He stated that in 1944 a Mrs. Mauclair complained to the tribunal after six letters which she had caused to be put in the Koutaba-Foumban post office had gone astray; the petitioner is in charge of this post office. Subsequently a report was addressed to the petitioner who was required by the Chief of the sub-division to sign it, without even knowing that there had been a complaint.

Upon being summoned to appear before the Duala tribunal (whereas his judicial district is Foumban), the petitioner asked his chief for a temporary substitute, but as this request remained unanswered, he could not leave his post, being responsible for the cash and for the office; accordingly, he was sentenced by default by the correctional tribunal of Duala to eighteen months! imprisonment.

The petitioner challenged this conviction for the following reasons:

- (a) As the matter was one affecting the service, it should first have been submitted to the departmental chief concorned and not brought before the court;
- (b) No such sentence had ever been passed on an official of the postal services in metropolitan France unless the offence or offences charged and the charge itself had been clearly stated;
- (c) The cause of this conviction was due to circumstances beyond his control. The petitioner asked to be restored to his post on the local staff of the Cameroons Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs and for the reimbursement of his pay in full.

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority

The Administering Authority submitted its observations on this petition in the form of an oral statement by its representative to the <u>ed hoc</u> Committee on Petitions at its second meeting on 21 June 1950.

He agreed that the condemnation to eighteen months' imprisonment might have been excessive and pointed out that in fact the petitioner had been given conditional freedom after serving about six months in prison. Although the petitioner's defection had been not inconsiderable, the Administering Authority was ready to be lenient. However, the request of the petitioner to be reinstated in the Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs Services could not be met, since under the regulations of the services, no person previously condemned was eligible. Nothing could be done as long as the petitioner was not restored to his civil rights.

C. Action taken by the ad hoc Committee

This petition was examined and discussed at the second meeting of the ad hoc Committee on 21 June 1950. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.2.

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as Resolution 6.

8. PETITION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE UNION DES POPULATIONS DU CAMEROUN CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION (T/PET.5/81)

A. Summary of the petition

The petitioners protested against the policy of the Governments of France, Belgium and the United Kingdom which, they claim, tended to delay as much as possible the progress towards independence of the countries administered by them, and alleged that these three countries are trying to evade the effective supervision of the United Nations.

The following documents are attached to the petition:

(a) Extracts from Le Courrier d'Afrique, of 14 and 15 January 1950, dealing with the Colonial Conference held in Paris by the representatives of France, Belgium, the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa and Southern Rhodesia. It seems that the purpose of this Conference was to bring about the prosperity of the territories of Black Africa "without outside interference" and to express opposition to meet the resolutions of the General Assembly of the United Nations which are unacceptable to these Governments.

- (b) A letter from the Union des Populations du Cameroun, to the Chief Regional Officer of the Mungo Region, dated 24 December 1949, in which the Union protested against the presence of a detachment of the Cameroons Guards at Mbouroukou. The petitioner claims that this measure was taken not so much to punish the Paremount Chief Pendong for his excessive demands as to penalize his victims. The person making the communication stated that part of the population of Mbo, frightened by the presence of troops at Mbouroukou, had fled to the British zone. He feared that this state of siege might have a temptation in certain quarters to impose exceptional measures on members of the Union des Populations du Cameroun.
- (c) A letter from the <u>Union des Populations du Cameroun</u> to Mr. Vincent Auriol, President of the French Union, protesting against the war in Viet-Nam, the bloody punitive measures adopted in Madagascar and the measures of repression in the Ivory Coast directed against the <u>Racsemblement Démocratique Africain</u>.

B. Summary of the observations of the Administering Authority

The Administering Authority submitted its observations on this petition in the form of an oral statement by its representative to the <u>ad hoc</u> Committee on Petitions at its second meeting on 21 June 1950. He stated that the charges of the petitioners regarding the Colonial Conference held in Paris in January 1950 were outside the compotence of the Trusteeship Council since the conference had dealt with the affairs of Non-Self-Governing rather than Trust Territories. The protests concerning French policy in Viet-Nem, Madagascar and the Ivory Coast were also outside the terms of reference of the Council. With regard to the protests against the presence of a detachment of the Cameroons Guards at Mbouroukou, he stated that the presence of the troops was necessary to preserve order in the district.

C. Action taken by the ed hoc Committee

This petition was examined and discussed at the second meeting of the ad hoc Committee on 21 June 1950. The relevant discussion is contained in document T/AC.24/SR.2.

At its third meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution which is reproduced below as Rosolution 7.

- [5. Petition from Mr. Daniel Kemajon Concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/82)]
- [10. Petition from Mr. Ernest Eyoum Concerning the Cameroons under French administration (T/PET.5/48)]

FETITION FROM MRS. JANE T. WALLACE CONCERNING NEW GUINEA

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure,
- Having accepted and examined at its sixth session the petition from Mrs. Jane T. Wallace, (T/PET.8/2), in consultation with Australia as the Administering Authority concerned, which designated Mr. S.A. Ionergan as special representative,
- Having taken note of the observations of the Administering Authority concerned (T/699) as well as of the oral statement of the special representative on this petition,

The Trusteeship Council

- Decides that on the question of clearing explosives no action by the Council is called for:
- Decides to inform the petitioner that the questions of a general character raised in her petition, such as taxation, prices and education, have been and will be examined in connexion with its examination of the annual reports of the Administering Authority on the administration of New Guinea;
- Invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

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PETITION FROM MR. JAMES TOE CONCERNING THE CAMEROORS UNDER EXTITISH ADMINISTRATION

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure,
- Having accepted and examined at its sixth session the petition from Mr. James Toe, (T/PET.4/65), in consultation with the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as the Administering Authority concerned, which designated Mr. J.K. Thompson as special representative,
- Having taken note of the observations of the Administering Authority concerned (T/667) in which it was stated that the potition laid before the Council a case with which the courts had competence to deal,

The Trusteeship Council

- Decides to inform the petitioner that if he wishes to seek redress, he should do so in the local courts;
- Invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

PETITION FROM MR. MATHIAS MBONGUE MINYANGADOU CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER

FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure,
- Having accepted and examined at its sixth session the potition from

 Mr. Mathias Moongue Minyangadou, (T/PET.5/77), in consultation with France
 as the Administering Authority concerned, which designated

 Mr. H. Laurentie as special representative,
- Having taken note of the statement of the special representative of the Administering Authority concerned that the petitioner's title to the land could only be established in accordance with the procedure laid down by the laws of the Territory; that this procedure was free of charge; but that so far the petitioner had not initiated any action on this matter, The Trusteeship Council
- Decides to inform the petitioner that in the opinion of the Council the petitioner could have his title to the land recognized by following the normal administrative procedure;
- <u>Draws</u> the attention of the petitioner to the recommendation regarding title to land adopted by the Trusteeship Council at its sixth session, the text of which reads as follows:

"The Council further requests the Administering Authority to recruit a sufficient number of surveyors in order to accelerate the procedures open to indigenous inhabitants for recognition of their land rights";

<u>Invites</u> the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

PETITION FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE UNION DES POPULATIONS DU CAMEROUN AT OTRIB CONCERTING TEE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure,
- Having accepted and examined at its sixth session the petition from the Committee of the Union des Populations du Cameroum at Otélé, (T/PET.5/78), in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned, which designated Mr. H. Laurentie as special representative,
- Having taken note of the statement of the special representative of the Administering Authority concerned to the effect that the cablegram of the petitioners was very short and vague and contained no specific information; and that to his knowledge no one had been sentenced without trial in the Cameroons.

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- Decides to inform the petitioners that the questions of a general character raised in their petition, such as the <u>indipenat</u> system and forced labour, have been and will be examined in connexion with its examination of the annual reports of the Administering Authority on the administration of the Territory;
- Invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council, and in addition to send to the petitioners copies of resolutions 197(VI) and 22h(VI) on the question of the separation of administrative and judicial powers and on the question of the abolition of forced labour, both adopted by the Council at its sixth session.

PETITION FROM MR. J. E. ALBERT TOGETY CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure,
- Having accorted and examined at its sixth session the petition from Mr. J. E. Albert Togney, (T/PET.5/79), in consultation with France as the Administoring Authority concerned, which resignated Mr. H. Laurentie as special representative,
- Having taken note of the observations of the Administering Authority on this potition,

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- Decides to inform the petitioner that the questions of a general character raised in his petition, such as the status of the Territory, racial discrimination etc., have been and will be examined in connexion with its examination of the annual reports of the Administering Authority on the administration of the Territory;
- Invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council, and in addition to send to the petitioner a copy of resolution 220(VI) on the question of racial discrimination as raised in certain petitions concerning the Cameroons under French administration, adopted by the Trusteeship Council at its sixth session.

PETITION FROM MR. NJAILLOU OUSMANON CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure,
- Having accepted and examined at its sixth session the petition from Mr. Njaillou Ousmanon, (T/PET.5/80), in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned, which designated Mr. H. Laurentie as special representative,
- Having taken note of the statement of the special representative of the Administrative Authority that, according to the regulations of the Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs Service, mo reinstatement was possible for a person who had been found guilty of a criminal offence unless the conviction was laid aside, and that the petitioner might apply for the restoration of his civil rights,

The Trusteeship Council

- Decides that under the circumstances no action by the Council is called for on this petition;
- <u>Invites</u> the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council.

PETITION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE <u>UNION DES POPULATIONS</u>
DU CAMEROUN CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION.

- Acting under Article 87 b of the Charter and in accordance with its rules of procedure.
- Having accepted and examined at its sixth session the petition from the Executive Committee of the <u>Union des Populations du Cameroum</u>, (T/PET.5/81), in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned, which designated Mr. H. Laurentie as special representative,
- Having taken note of the statement of the special representative of the Administrative Authority that the dispatch of gendermes to Mbouroukou was aimed purely at maintaining order in the region and that the other parts of the petition related to matters which were outside the scope of the International Trusteeship System,

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Decides that no action by the Cornell is called for on this petition;

Invites the Secretary-General to inform the Administering Authority and the petitioner of this resolution in accordance with rule 93 of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council and further to inform the petitioners of the availability of United Nations publications in libraries and many administrative offices of the Territory and through designated sales agencies.