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UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

Draft Report of the Standing Committee on Petitions

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Note by the Secretariat: In order to avoid unnecessary duplication of material which has been already circulated in mimeographed form, the present draft report contains only the material to be added to that contained in the Secretariat working paper (T/C.2/L.322) and the draft resolutions. The original material should be considered as forming part of the draft, except where otherwise indicated.]

1. At its 469th, 472nd and meetings on 11, 14 and 1958, the Standing Committee on Petitions, composed of the representatives of China, France, India, Italy, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland examined the petitions concerning the Trust Territory of the Cameroons under French administration which are listed in the preceding table of contents.
2. Mr. X. Deniau participated in the examination as the special representative of the Administering Authority concerned.
3. The Standing Committee submits herewith to the Council its report on these petitions and recommends, in accordance with rule 90, paragraph 6, of the Council's rules of procedure, that the Council decide that no special information is required concerning the action taken on resolution

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- I. Petition from Mr. Vincent Bela (T/PET.5/889, section 5)
4. The petition was examined and discussed at the 469th and meetings
of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.469 and).
5. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with
abstention draft resolution I, annexed to the present report, which it recommends
that the Council adopt.

- I. Petition from Mr. Vincent Bela (T/PET.5/889, section 5)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Vincent Bela concerning the
Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the
Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/889, section 5, T/OBS.5/99/Add.2,
T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the
Administering Authority.

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II. Petition from Mr. Robert Afiana (T/PET.5/889, section 6)

3. The petition was examined and discussed at the 469th and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.469 and).

4. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution II, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

II. Petition from Mr. Robert Afiana (T/PET.5/889, section 6)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Robert Afiana concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/889, section 6, T/OBS.5/99/Add.2, T/L.),

1. Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority;

2. Recommends that the Administering Authority make further inquiries concerning the petitioner with particular reference to the state of his health and the possibility of finding him employment.

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III. Petition from Mr. Venant Ekenguele (T/PET.5/894, section 2)

4. The petition was examined and discussed at the 469th and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.469 and).

5. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution III, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

III. Petition from Mr. Venant Ekenguele (T/PET.5/894, section 2)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Venant Ekenguele concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 2; T/OBS.5/97/Add.2, T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative.

IV. Petition from Mrs. Suzanna Mbetumou (T/PET.5/894, section 3)

3. The petition was examined and discussed at the 469th and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.469 and).

4. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution IV, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

IV. Petition from Mrs. Suzanna Mbetumou (T/PET.5/894, section 3)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mrs. Suzanna Mbetumou concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 3, T/OBS.5/97/Add.1, T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative.

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V. Petition from the "Société des femmes Bomp" (T/PET.5/894, section 11)

3. The Standing Committee on Petitions draws the attention of the Trusteeship Council to the written observations of the Administering Authority that it cannot give consideration to a document drawn up by an organization banned by statutory authority. In the circumstances the Committee has not been able to examine the petition nor to formulate recommendations.

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VI. Petition from Messrs. Otoló Clément and Tanga Ndjána (T/PET.5/894, section 12)

5. The petition was examined and discussed at the 469th and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.469 and).

6. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution VI, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

VI. Petition from Messrs. Otoló Clément and Tanga Ndjána (T/PET.5/894, section 12)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Messrs. Otoló Clément and Tanga Ndjána concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 12, T/OBS.5/97/Add.2, T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioners to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of the special representative, in particular that they might take advantage of the facilities which exist in the Territory for increasing the yield of cocoa treas.

VII. Petition from Mr. Mvondo Martin (T/PET.5/894, section 15)

3. The petition was examined and discussed at the 469th and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.469 and).

4. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution VII, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

VII. Petition from Mr. Mvondo Martin (T/PET.5/894, section 15)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Mvondo Martin concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 15, T/OBS.5/97/Add.5, T/L.),

1. Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority and suggests that he might apply to his local Labour Exchange for assistance in finding suitable alternative employment;
2. Suggests that the Administering Authority make an inquiry as to the present condition of the petitioner and render him such assistance as may be appropriate in the circumstances.

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VIII. Petition from Mr. Mintoumé Enock Benjamin (T/PET.5/894, section 18)

4. The Standing Committee on Petitions draws the attention of the Trusteeship Council to the written observations of the Administering Authority that it cannot give consideration to a document drawn up by an organization banned by statutory authority. In the circumstances the Committee has not been able to examine the petition nor to formulate recommendations.

IX. Petition from Mr. Pouda Appolinaire (T/PET.5/894, section 20)

3. The petition was examined and discussed at the 472nd and meetings
of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.472 and).

4. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with
abstention draft resolution IX, annexed to the present report, which it
recommends that the Council adopt.

IX. Petition from Mr. Pouda Apollinaire (T/PET.5/894, section 20)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Pouda Apollinaire concerning the
Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the
Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 20, T/OBS.5/97, T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the
Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative.

X. Petition from Mr. Ekani André (T/PET.5/894, section 21)

4. The petition was examined and discussed at the 472nd and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.472 and).

5. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution X, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

X. Petition from Mr. Ekani André (T/PET.5/894, section 21)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Ekani André concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 21, T/OBS.5/97, T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative.

XI. Petition from Mr. Moussa Aboh and four of his colleagues in the S.E.I.T.A.
(T/PET.5/894, section 22)

3. The petition was examined and discussed at the 472nd and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.472 and).

4. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution XI, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

XI. Petition from Mr. Moussa Aboh and four of his colleagues in the S.E.I.T.A.
(T/PET.5/894, section 22)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Moussa Aboh and four of his colleagues in the S.E.I.T.A. concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 22, T/OBS.5/97, T/L.),

Draws the attention of all the five petitioners to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative.

XII. Petition from Mr. Mébina Christophe (T/PET.5/894, section 23)

5. The petition was examined and discussed at the 472nd and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.472 and).

6. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution XII, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

XII. Petition from Mr. Mébina Christophe (T/PET.5/894, section 23)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petition from Mr. Mébina Christophe concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/894, section 23, T/OBS.5/97, T/L.

1. Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative, in particular that if he has any further specific complaints regarding payments relating to his military service, he should submit them to the Ex-Servicemen's Office;

2. Further draws the attention of the petitioner to the fact that there are certain conditions which must be complied with before a subvention for the opening of a private school can be granted;

3. Recommends to the Administering Authority to render all necessary assistance to the petitioner to open a school and allow it to operate in his village.

XIII. Petitions from Mr. Daniel Tchock (T/PET.5/895, section 2 and T/PET.5/895/Add.1)

4. The petitions were examined and discussed at the 472nd, 473rd and meetings of the Standing Committee (documents T/C.2/SR.472, 473 and).
5. At its meeting, the Committee approved by votes to with abstention draft resolution XIII, annexed to the present report, which it recommends that the Council adopt.

XIII. Petitions from Mr. Daniel Tchock (T/PET.5/895, section 2 and T/PET.5/895/Add.1)

The Trusteeship Council,

Having examined the petitions from Mr. Daniel Tchock concerning the Cameroons under French administration in consultation with France as the Administering Authority concerned (T/PET.5/895, section 2 and 895/Add.1, T/OBS.5/98/Add.1, T/L.),

Draws the attention of the petitioner to the observations of the Administering Authority and to the statements of its special representative, in particular that there exist concise regulations relating to the establishment of a school which must be complied with before permission to operate can be granted or before a subvention can be obtained.
