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### ADDENDUM

Note: Certain factual data such as the numbers and dates of meetings and the numbers of resolutions will be inserted in the final report by the Secretariat after the close of the present session.

1. Page 7 - At the end of paragraph 6, add the following:

"Subsequently, at its ..... meeting, the Council appointed ..... and ..... as members of the Committee on Classification of Communications until the end of its twenty-first session".

2. Page 7 - Replace paragraph 7 by the following:

"During the period under review, the Council also amended rule 19 of its rules of procedure, which originally read as follows: 'The Trusteeship Council shall elect, at the beginning of its regular session in June, a President and a Vice-President from among the representatives of the members of the Trusteeship Council'. At its 838th meeting, the Council decided 1/ to substitute the word 'January' for the word 'June' in that rule".

3. Page 46 - Replace paragraph 59 by the following text:

"The Council examined forty-four written petitions concerning the Cameroons under French administration during its twentieth session. All of these were individually examined by the Standing Committee on Petitions, and in connexion with this examination, the Council adopted the following resolutions:

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1/ Resolution ..... (XX).

Symbol of report of  
Standing Committee  
on Petitions

<u>Resolution</u>	<u>Title</u>	
... (XX)	Petition from the "Union démocratique des femmes camerounaises", Branch of Fonkouakem (T/PET.5/512)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petitions from the Local Committee of the "Mouvement National Camerounais" of Hikoadjom (T/PET.5/517), the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Mbem-Njock (T/PET.5/527) and the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Mavel (T/PET.5/528)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petition from the Central Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Ndom (T/PET.5/526)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petitions from the Chairman of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" (T/PET.5/549 and Add.1, 558, 559, 560 and Add.1, 563, 570 and Add.1, 580, 582, 587 and 605) and from the Vice-Chairman of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" (T/PET.5/566, 572, 592, and 595)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petitions from the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Paris (T/PET.5/553) and the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Zoatubsi (T/PET.5/576)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petitions from the Central Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Manjo (T/PET.5/554, 604 and Add.1)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petitions from the Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Seven-Djongo I, Seven-Djongo II and Kassalafam (T/PET.5/571), the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Bonelecké-Bonalembe (T/PET.5/584) and from Mr. Elie Yememo (T/PET.5/L.62)	T/L.792

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Resolution

Title

- ... (XX) Petition from the Central Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Bafang (T/PET.5/574) T/L.792
- ... (XX) Petitions from the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Boga-Mahole (T/PET.5/575) and the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Nsimekele (T/PET.5/579) T/L.792
- ... (XX) Petitions from Mr. Sala (T/PET.5/577), Mr. Etienne Njoukam (T/PET.5/589), the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Paris (T/PET.5/594), the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Ndog-Bat II (T/PET.5/597 and Add.1); the Central Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of the Bamileké Region (T/PET.5/634); the Association of Cameroonian Students, Toulouse Branch (T/PET.5/640 and Add.1); Madame Gertrude Omog (T/PET.5/674) and the Felix Moumié Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" (T/COM.5/L.117) T/L.792
- ... (XX) Petition from the Local Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of Mbafam (T/PET.5/583) T/L.792
- ... (XX) Petition from Officers of the Executive Committee of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun", the Central Bureau of the "Union des Syndicats confédérés du Cameroun", the Executive Committee of the "Jeunesse démocratique du Cameroun" and the Officers of the "Union démocratique des Femmes camerounaises" (T/PET.5/612) T/L.792
- ... (XX) Petition from the Chairman of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" (T/PET.5/613) T/L.792
- ... (XX) Petition from some members of the "Union des Populations du Cameroun" of the Bamileké region (T/PET.5/692) T/L.792

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<u>Resolution</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Symbol of report of Standing Committee on Petitions</u>
... (XX)	Petition from Mr. Jacob Ngoumavire (T/PET.5/756)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petition from Mr. Bernard Kamto (T/PET.5/789)	T/L.792
... (XX)	Petitions from Mr. Etienne Essomba (T/PET.5/795 and T/COM.5/L.192)	T/L.792

"In resolutions on thirteen of these petitions the Council took note of the observations of the Administering Authority and, where appropriate, of the statements of its special representative. It emphasized in five cases those statements which related most specifically to the questions raised by the petitioner.

"On a group of petitions concerning concessions of land,<sup>1/</sup> the Council expressed the hope that the proceedings concerning these concessions would result in a solution satisfactory to all concerned.

"On a petition containing complaints of a personal nature,<sup>2/</sup> the Council decided that no action could be taken by it in view of the lack of precise information and of the many contradictions in the petition.

"On a further petition and a related communication,<sup>3/</sup> the Council decided that no action on its part was called for in view of the fact that the petitioner repudiated the authorship of the petition and that he wished no further correspondence with the United Nations.

"In two resolutions on groups of petitions from officers, branches and members of Union des Populations du Cameroun and other organizations,<sup>4/</sup> the Council recalled its resolution 1481 (XVII) on the events of May 1955 and expressed its confidence that harmony and understanding would soon prevail so as to bring about conditions conducive to close co-operation and full enjoyment of the new Statute of the Territory which represents an important step towards the attainment of the objectives of Trusteeship, establishes a legislative assembly based on universal adult suffrage and a Government responsible to it, grants a high degree of internal autonomy and establishes Cameroons citizenship for the indigenous inhabitants of the Trust Territory.

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<sup>1/</sup> T/PET.5/517, 527 and 528.

<sup>2/</sup> T/PET.5/756.

<sup>3/</sup> T/PET.5/795 and T/COM.5/L.192.

<sup>4/</sup> T/PET.5/549 and Add.1, 558, 559, 560 and Add.1, 563, 566, 570 and Add.1, 572, 577, 580, 582, 587, 589, 592, 594, 595, 597 and Add.1, 605, 634, 640 and Add.1, 674 and T/COM.5/L.117.

"On a further petition concerning the political future of the Trust Territory from the Officers of the Union des Populations du Cameroun, the Union des Syndicats confédérés du Cameroun, the Jeunesse démocratique du Cameroun and the Union démocratique des Femmes camerounaises<sup>1/</sup> the Council recalled the new Statute of the Territory and its provisions.

"On a group of petitions concerning judicial actions taken against certain persons,<sup>2/</sup> the Council noted that the judicial proceedings in question were matters which had been dealt with by the competent courts of the Territory.

"On a petition concerning conditions in the Babimbi area,<sup>3/</sup> the Council recommended that the Administering Authority take measures to improve the medical facilities for the inhabitants of Ndom and to increase if necessary the number of educational institutions."

4. Page 54 - Replace paragraph 8 by the following text:

"At its 838th meeting, the Council took note of this report. At the same meeting, Haiti, India and Syria submitted their resignation from the membership of the Committee; thereupon, the Council decided to reduce that membership from six to four and to appoint Guatemala as a member of the Committee. Consequently, the Committee is now composed of the representatives of China, France, Guatemala and the United Kingdom."

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<sup>1/</sup> T/PET.5/612.

<sup>2/</sup> T/PET.5/571, 584 and T/PET.5/L.62.

<sup>3/</sup> T/PET.5/526.