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PETITION FROM CHIEFS AND NOTABLES OF THE GELIB AREA
CONCERNING SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

Note by the Secretary-General: In accordance with rule 85 and supplementary rules F and L of the rules of procedure for the Trusteeship Council, the Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the members of the Trusteeship Council, to the Government of Italy as the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of Somaliland, and to the Governments of Colombia, Egypt, and the Philippines as members of the Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland, a communication dated 15 August 1952 from the Chiefs and Notables of the Gelib Area concerning the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration.

This communication was transmitted to the Secretary-General by the United Nations Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration.

Translated from Italian

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To the Advisory Council of the United Nations, Mogadiscio

To the Italian Trusteeship Administration of Somaliland, Mogadiscio.

We, the undersigned, Aden Mohamed Gab and Osman Abdulla Mohamed - Tunni tribal chiefs -, Scego Mohamed Nur Abo - the eldest Notable - Gongio Mohamed Gongio, Notable, Abu Mohamed Omar, Notable, Hagi Manur Hagi, Notable, all residing in Gelib, beg to request, for the peace, tranquillity and prosperity of our country, to put an end to misdeeds of the S.Y.L. party, by dissolving and outlawing it.

The said party, composed of a scanty minority, periodically and systematically causes crimes, disorders and violences that shame us in the eyes of the world.

The mission entrusted to Italy by the United Nations would be carried out in a healthier atmosphere and would bear better fruit.

Gelib, 15 August 1952

(Signed) Aden Mohamed Gab, Tribal Chief
Osman Abdulla Mohamed, Tribal Chief
Scego Mohamed Nur Abo, Head of Notables
Gongio Mohamed Gongio, Notable
Hagi Manur Hagi, Notable
Abu Mohamed Omar, Notable

Note by the Secretariat: Identical and almost identical communications dated 15 and 16 August 1952 were received from Chiefs and Notables of Galcaio and Alessandra in the same area.
