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PETITION FROM THE MOUNGUE LOCAL COMMITTEE OF THE UPC
CONCERNING THE CAMEROONS UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION

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Lolodof, Cameroons

United Nations, New York.

Moungue Local Committee of the UPC

Our good wishes go with Mr. Um Nyobe Ruben, who has been commissioned to present our claims, in his journey to New York to attend the session of the Trusteeship Council.

We demand a vote on the transfer of power and a plebiscite under United Nations auspices within a short period of his return.

While other areas live in peace, nothing has changed in the Cameroons, where life is still as barbaric as in the past; bridges are built without any wages being paid and under the supervision of the local police. Some villages are never visited by nurses, although they are seen in neighbouring areas.

Elephants, gorillas, buffalos and chimpanzees inhabit the forests, have taken possession of the plantations and engage in the most fantastic destruction; they are, however, no threat to the Europeans.

We should be glad if the Cameroons could have a detachment of hunters to deal with these destructive beasts or if those of us who can afford it could be given an opportunity of buying guns.

With thanks.

Moungue, 30 October 1954