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PETITION FROM THE SOMALI COMMUNIST PARTY CONCERNING
SOMALILAND UNDER ITALIAN ADMINISTRATION

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the Secretary-General by the United Nations Advisory Council for
the Trust Territory of Somaliland under Italian administration.

Mogadiscio, 20 August 1956

To: The United Nations Advisory Council in Somalia - Mogadiscio

The signatories of this statement are the applicants for the foundation of
the new political party known as the SOMALI COMMUNIST PARTY. They submit this
appeal to the United Nations Advisory Council to explain the following:

On 28 May 1956 we submitted to the District Commissioner of Mogadiscio an
application for an authorization to set up the SOMALI COMMUNIST PARTY^{1/} and we
forwarded also various requests to AFIS with a view to obtaining this authorization
according to the law. Up to the present the undersigned have not received any
reply. We beg the United Nations Advisory Council to inform us whether this
Human Right has been annulled (that is to express myself and to found the party
one chooses) in other words the freedom to form parties and associations.
Finally we want to stress that up to the present our request was in accordance
with the laws and regulations as shown by the attached copies of all the requests
we have submitted to the various offices of AFIS. Now we beg you honestly to
give careful consideration to the contents of the attached copies of the request
submitted by us to AFIS. Therefore we confidently await for the just and supreme

1/ Note by the Secretariat: See T/COM.11/L.271.

decision of the United Nations Advisory Council for Somalia in Mogadiscio to advise AFIS in view of the fact that the Italian Government has accepted the responsibility of Administering Authority in this Territory.

And also in view of the fact that the Governments of Colombia, Egypt and the Philippines have accepted to aid and advise the Administering Authority in their capacity as members of the United Nations Advisory Council.

The Somali signatories who want to form the above-mentioned Party

1. Iman Ente Mohamed
2. Mohamed Culmie Mohamud
3. Ahmed Addan Giumale
4. Hassan Mohamed Roble
5. Ali Mohamed Sciego
6. Hassan Abdulle Uardere
7. Addo Alasse Malim
8. Ali Ahmed Mahdi
9. Mohamed Sceek Nur
10. Hassan Sceek Ali Farah
11. Aden Hagi Mohamud
12. Omar Mohamud Hersi
13. Ahmed Ghesei Cabobe

19/6/1956

To the District Commissioner -

Mogadiscio

For information to: The United Nations Advisory Council - Mogadiscio

On behalf of the new Somali Communist Party and of its members, and further to our preceding petition dated 28 May 1956, by which we requested the authorization to open in Mogadiscio a Somali Communist Party, we once more submit an application requesting you to kindly give a reply concerning this application since every day the Members are asking me to open the premises of the Headquarters, but these cannot be opened without a regular authorization.

I enclose the names of new members:

Mohamed Abdulle Culet

Ahmed Sceek Nur

Salad Ali Ahmed

Mohamud Gilao Mohamud

Ali Elmi Halane

Omar Mohamud Hersi

Aden Mohamed Hassan

Mohamud Halane Haile

Ahmed Raghe Afrah

Ahmed Uehelie Alasso

Olo Abdi Gete

Mohamud Mohamed Giumale

Iusuf Ahmed Muddei

Hussen Siat Hersi

Ali Sceek Mursal

Omar Gilao Mohamud

Iman Ente Mohamed

Abdulle Roble Giumale

Mohamed Culmie Mohamud

Abdulle Mohamud Mohamed

Mohamud Roble Giumale

Ahmed Ghesei Gabobe

Mohamed Sceek Nur

Aburar Sceek Ahmed

Hassan Uasughe Hoscio

Ibrahim Uardere Mohamed

THE CHAIRMAN

HUSSEN HAGI MOHAMED

The signatories of this statement, the applicants for the foundation of the new political party named Somali Communist Party, deem it advisable to draw the attention of the above-mentioned authorities to their situation. Some months ago the signatories had the idea of founding in Somalia the above-mentioned party.

In accordance with the provisions in force they have presented their application for the foundation of the party to the District Commissioner Mr. Giama Ganni in order to obtain the authorization for opening the office of the party's headquarters. A few weeks after they have been invited by the District Commissioner to forward the programme of the new party which they subsequently did submit. Moreover, the Commissioner had requested them to submit the names of the leaders of the party and they forwarded a list of names indicating in writing the functions of each member. Moreover, the Commissioner had asked to visit the premises where the headquarters was to be established, which were visited. Subsequently, the Commissioner recently said that the question did not come within his competence but within that of the superior Authorities. Moreover, the Commissioner tried to convince the signatories to abandon this idea, adding that there are in Somalia other political parties opposed to the formation of a communist party. Since individual and social freedom exists today throughout the world, the undersigned have the right to enjoy this freedom individually and socially. If it is true that there is an international law that nobody should be prevented, the undersigned desire to obtain from the Authorities the permission to found the new party.

In view of what is said above we beg the Authorities to request the District Commissioner to issue the prescribed permit.

The signatories:

1. Mohamed Culmie Mohamud
2. Ali Mohamed Sciego
3. Iman Ente Mohamed
4. Hassan Mohamed Roble
5. Hersi Gutale Mohamed
6. Mohamed Giama Mohamed
7. Ahmed Mohamed Ahmed
8. Ahmed Addan Giunale
9. Hussen Hagi Mohamed
10. Hassan Abdulle Uadere
11. Mohamed Sceek Nur
12. Mohamud Gilao Mohamud
13. Mohamed Abdulle Culet
14. Aden Hagi Mohamud
15. Ali Ahmed Mahdi
16. Hassan Sceek Ali
17. Abdi Mohamed Ali
18. Ahmed Ghesei Cabobe
19. Mousse Ibrahim
20. Mohamed Hassan
21. Mohamed Hassan Nur
22. Hussen Siat Hersi
23. Nur Abtidon Haile
24. Mohamud Halane Haile
25. Omar Mohamud Hersi

To: The Minister of the Interior, Hagi Mussa Bogor, Mogadiscio

We, the undersigned, residents of Mogadiscio, submit this request and make the following statement.

We submitted to the Secretary-General Franca a request for obtaining the authorization for founding the SOMALI COMMUNIST PARTY^{1/}. After a few days we were instructed to call at the Internal Affairs Office. We called at the office of Mr. Gennaro who told us that our application was undergoing examination in the hands of Minister Mussa Bogor. Up to now we have not received any answer from you.

We want to point out that we intend to found the Somali Communist Party according to the International Constitutions, and according to the Trusteeship Agreements and the Administrator's Decree of 1951/52.

Moreover, we declare that our Somali Communist Party is not based on the BOLSHEVICK doctrine; nor are we miscreants, but we intend to constitute a MOSLEM Somali Communist Party.

We beg you earnestly to send us promptly the prescribed reply.

Confident that our request will be favourably received, we thank you and remain

Yours very truly

Signatories 1. Hussen Hagi Mohamed
 2. Mohamed Giama Mohamed
 3. Ali Mohamed Scego

13/7/1956

1/ Note by the Secretariat: See T/COM.11/L.271/Add.1.