



**VIII General Assembly,  
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## **Member Resolution on the Southern Cameroons**

*The UNPO General Assembly;*

CONCERNED by the growing systematic repression, the total absence of freedom of association, opinion, expression, and the frequent breach of the right to privacy in Southern Cameroons;

ALARMED by the constant extra-judicial executions of innocent Southern Cameroonians, notably prisoners of conscience, by the forces of la Republique du Cameroun, and the heavy militarization of Southern Cameroons putting life and security of persons in grave danger, especially within the months of September and October;

DISTURBED by the rapid rise in the number of educated Southern Cameroonians fleeing their homeland as a consequence of the rising political insecurity, economic plunder, and cultural dilution;

CONCERNED that even in the Diaspora la Republique du Cameroun Embassy officials still spy on and report to Yaounde, thus the rising number of SCNC activists on the wanted list,

TAKING serious note that despite several appeals to President Paul Biya, SCNC leaders and activists imprisoned since 1999, tried by francophone judges in what was widely described as a miscarriage of justice, are still being held in prison, and that more SCNC leaders and activists continue to be arbitrarily arrested, tortured, and detained in inhumane and degrading conditions, solely because of their beliefs and peaceful exercise of their inalienable right to self-determination;

NOTING that in spite of the growing number of deliberate acts of provocation, such as frequent arbitrary arrests, are retaliated against with brute force, and that this notwithstanding, the SCNC has remained faithful to its ideology of non-violence;

UNDERLINING that the Southern Cameroons was a distinct UN Trust territory under United Kingdom Administration and never an integral part of the trust territory of Cameroun under French Administration which became independent as la Republique du Cameroun on Jan. 1, 1960;

NOTING the African Union's declaration on the immutability and inviolability of colonial boundaries inherited at independence, and making it an obligation for signatories to the Charter to assist peoples and nations under foreign domination and alien rule to realize their right to self-determination and sovereign independence;

UNDERLINING that the UN has declared annexation and alien domination a crime against humanity and threat to world peace, thus making la Republique du Cameroun's exercise of sovereignty over Southern Cameroons a breach of international law, illegal, null and void;

REITERATING UNPO's firm commitment to conflict prevention as the logical instrument of building enduring peace, justice, and international cooperation amongst peoples and nations, large and small;

*Therefore, we, the UNPO General Assembly:*

1. **UNEQUIVOCALLY DECLARE** solidarity with the SCNC and the Southern Cameroonian people in their pacific struggle to restore their statehood and build a democratic society and be masters of their own destiny;
2. **URGE** the African Union to recognize the SCNC as the legitimate Authority of the Southern Cameroons, admit the SCNC LEADERSHIP as the representative of the Southern Cameroons nation, and adopt a road map for the decolonization of the former UN Trust territory;
3. **CALL UPON** the UN to take full responsibility for, and complete its task of, the effective decolonization of Southern Cameroons, in conformity with Art. 76(b) of the UN Charter and UNGA Resolution 1514 of 1960,
4. **CALL UPON** the UN to admit Southern Cameroons as a member of its World Body of sovereign nations.