

The following information from the Registry of the International Court of Justice is communicated to the Press:

The International Court of Justice will hold a public sitting on Thursday, 19 September 1963 at 4 p.m. in the Peace Palace at The Hague.

The sitting will be the first in the oral hearings in the case concerning the Northern Cameroons, brought before the Court on 30 May 1961 by an Application of the Government of the Federal Republic of Cameroon against the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

On 14 August 1962 a document containing certain preliminary objections to the jurisdiction of the Court was filed by the Government of the United Kingdom. The Observations and Submissions of the Government of the Federal Republic of Cameroon in regard to these objections were filed on 27 June 1963.

During the coming hearings the Court will deal with the preliminary objections.

The sitting will be devoted first to the installation of M. Ph. Beb a Don, who, in accordance with Article 31 of the Statute of the Court, has been chosen by the Government of the Federal Republic of Cameroon to sit as judge ad hoc in this case. Mr. Ph. Beb a Don is Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Cameroon in Paris.

The Parties will be represented as follows:

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

Agent:	Sir Francis Vallat, K.C.M.G., Q.C., Legal Adviser to the Foreign Office;
Assistant Agent:	Mr. P.J. Allott, an Assistant Legal Adviser, Foreign Office;
Counsel:	Rt. Hon. Sir John Hobson, O.B.E., T.D., Q.C., M.P., Attorney-General;
	Mr. M.E. Bathurst, C.M.G., C.B.E., a member of the English Bar;
	Mr. D.H.N. Johnson, Professor of International and Air Law in the University of London;
Advisers:	Mr. E.C. Burr, Colonial Office;
	Mr. P.R.A. Mansfield, West and Central African Department, Foreign Office.

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The Government of the Federal Republic of Cameroon:

Agent: H.E. M. Vincent de Paul Ahanda, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Cameroon to Benelux;

Assistant Agent: M. Paul Engo, Judge;

Counsel: M. Prosper Weil, Professor at the Nice Faculty of Law and Economics (University of Aix-Marseille);

M. Robert Parant, Judge, Director of Judicial Affairs and of the Seal, Ministry of Justice;

Advisers: M. El Hadji Moussa Yaya, Deputy, Vice-President of the Federal National Assembly;

M. Eloi Langoul, Conseiller référendaire of the Supreme Court of Eastern Cameroon, Principal Private Secretary to the Minister of State for Justice and Keeper of the Seals;

M. François-Xavier Tchoungui, Principal Private Secretary to the Minister for Foreign Affairs;

Experts: M. Charles Debbasch, Lecturer agrégé at the Faculty of Law and Economics of the University of Grenoble;

M. Paul Isoart, Assistant Lecturer at the Nice Faculty of Law and Economics.

The Hague, 11 September 1963.
