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THE SHOOTING OF MUSA BURE IN
SABGA ON 24 OCTOBER, 2002

The Prefect
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Further to a verbal report on the shooting of Musa Bure in Sabga on the 24 October 2002; I submit herelbelow a full report on the situation prevailing.

Since the unfortunate incident on the 29 April, 2002 where some fulani youths from Sabga destroyed Alhadji BABA's barb-wire fence and burnt down his rugas, there has been a series of arrest in Douala and Sabga by some elements of Gendarmerie Legion in Bamenda.

Those arrested are as follows :

- USMANOU HAMAN (cought at the scene of the incident)
- ABDU ISSA (arrested in Douala)
- YAKUBA UMAROU (arrested in Bamenda)
- YUNUSA (arrested in Douala)
- YUSUFA ISSA (arrested in Sabga but released)
- ALHADJI AHMADOU (arrested in Douala but released because of ill health)
- MOHAMADOU (arrested in Kedjom Keku but released)

The most recent arrest occured in Sabga on the 24 October 2002 which resulted in the shooting of Musa Bure, a businessman living in Sabga.

According to some sources, elements of the "Anti-gang", following a warrant of arrest from the Military Tribunal in Bafoussam ordering the arrest of Musa Bure met with some resistance. He was shot with four bullets; on the left chin and shoulder blades.

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This incident provoked the anger of the population and through some luck the elements who carried out the operation escaped to Ndop. They were later on saved by the Chief of SEMIL and elements of the North West Legion.

The victim was rushed to the hospital in Mbingo where he spent 5 (five) days and was later transferred to the Health Post in Sabga where he was hospitalised for 20 days. His condition has greatly improved since then.

It is worth mentioning here that all this was being done without the knowledge of the Tubah Administration.

For now, the situation is calm since there are some reconciliation meetings being organised between the Fulanis in Sabga and the Ndawara Ranch./-

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