

TERMINATION OF THE DESIGNATION OF CAMEROON
AS A BENEFICIARY SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN COUN-
TRY UNDER THE AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPOR-
TUNITY ACT

MESSAGE

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

NOTIFICATION OF THE INTENT TO TERMINATE THE DESIGNATION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON AS A BENEFICIARY SUB-SA-
HARAN AFRICAN COUNTRY UNDER THE AFRICAN GROWTH AND
OPPORTUNITY ACT AS OF JANUARY 1, 2020, PURSUANT TO 19
U.S.C. 2466a(a)(3)(B); PUBLIC LAW 93-618, SEC. 506A(a)(3)(B) (AS
ADDED BY PUBLIC LAW 114-27, SEC. 105(a)(2)); (129 STAT. 365)



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To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 506A(a)(3)(B) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2466a(a)(3)(B)), I am providing notice of my intent to terminate the designation of the Republic of Cameroon (Cameroon) as a beneficiary sub-Saharan African country under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA).

I am taking this step because I have determined that the Government of Cameroon currently engages in gross violations of internationally recognized human rights, contravening the eligibility requirements of section 104 of the AGOA.

Despite intensive engagement between the United States and the Government of Cameroon, Cameroon has failed to address concerns regarding persistent human rights violations being committed by Cameroonian security forces. These violations include extrajudicial killings, arbitrary and unlawful detention, and torture.

Accordingly, I intend to terminate the designation of Cameroon as a beneficiary sub-Saharan African country under the AGOA as of January 1, 2020. I will continue to assess whether the Government of Cameroon engages in gross violations of internationally recognized human rights, in accordance with the AGOA eligibility requirements.

DONALD J. TRUMP.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *October 31, 2019.*

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