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**STATE, SECURITY AND VIOLENCE IN CAMEROON**

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## POSTCOLONIAL PERSPECTIVES ON THE DECOLONIZATION PROCESS UNDER FRENCH UN-TRUSTEESHIP ADMINISTRATION

The state-building process in Cameroon turned violent despite the international supervision under UN-trusteeship mandate shared by France and Britain. The conflict over the transferral of the monopoly of violence and the communication of security, insecurity, and threat became central to the internationalized transition process. The main conflict line developed between anti-colonial forces, local elites,

and international administrators who mediated their claims to the future state of Cameroon through security discourses. By thinking together post/decolonial theories and critical security studies, Maria Ketzmerick identifies narratives of security that ruled the violent transition and develops a ‚longue durée‘ perspective on the state-building process that unfolds continuities into today’s conflicts.

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