1. Record Nr. UNINA9910787983403321 Autore Nfi Joseph Lon **Titolo** The reunification debate in British Southern Cameroons: the role of French Cameroon immigrants / / Joseph Lon Nfi Pubbl/distr/stampa North West Region, Cameroon:,: Langaa RPCIG,, 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 9956-791-58-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (410 p.) Disciplina 967.11 Soggetti Cameroonians - United States Cameroonians - United States - Social conditions Immigrants - United States - Social conditions Cameroon Emigration and immigration Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Acknowledgements -- Foreword -- Introduction -- The Anglo-French partition of Cameroon -- Immigrations, settlements and occupations of French Cameroonians -- Social life among French Cameroon immigrants -- French Cameroon immigrants and the reunification idea. 1947-1953 -- French Cameroon immigrants and reunification politics, 1953-1959 -- French Cameroon immigrants and the plebiscite, 1959-1961 -- French Cameroon immigrants and reunification talks --Conclusion -- Sources consulted -- Index. Sommario/riassunto This book is a succinct account of the role immigrants from French Cameroon played in the Reunification politics in the Southern Cameroons. The study reveals that these "strangers" organised themselves in Pressure Groups in order to fight for equal opportunities with the indigenes and when such opportunities were not coming, they initiated the Reunification Idea, propagated it and converted many reluctant Southern Cameroonians. They militated in pro-reunification political parties such as the KNC, KNDP, UPC and OK and successfully shifted the reunification idea from the periphery to the centre of

Southern Cameroons decolonisation politics. The immigrants convinced

the UN through petitions and reunification which was the most

unpopular option for independence became one of the two alternatives at the 1961 plebiscite. They and the reluctant KNDP campaigned and voted for it. The Reunification of Cameroon was therefore the handiwork of French Cameroon immigrants.