

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910957552103321
Autore	Tangwa Godfrey B
Titolo	No trifling matter : contributions of an uncompromising critic to the democratic process in Cameroon / / Godfrey B. Tangwa (alias Rotcod Gobata)
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Bamenda, Cameroon, : Langaa Research & Pub. CIG, 2011
ISBN	9786613280619 9781283280617 1283280612 9789956717835 9956717835 9789956717958 9956717959 9789956717712 9956717711
Edizione	[1st ed.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (246 p.)
Soggetti	Democracy - Cameroon
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di contenuto	Cover; Title page; Copyright page; Dedication; Preface To The New Edition: Background To Gobata Columns And Essays; Contents; Foreword; Preface; 1. An Open Letter to Pa Foncha; 2. Begging the Question; 3. Mondial 90 and the Success of Success; 4. Those Billions in Foreign Banks; 5. I Doff My Hat to Mr. President; 6. The Day I Ate Fried Corn With the Cardinal; 7. What Do University Students Really Want?; 8. The Two Faces of Mongo Beti; 9. Now That the Opposition Is Really Here; 10. Is Mr. Paul Out Of Touch Or What?; 11. The Past Tense of Shit; 12. The Questions Eric Did Not or Could Not Ask 13. Mitterrand Must Be a Mediocre Teacher 14. Tribalism; 15. The Foxes of Loo; 16. Jean Zoa's Conceptual Problems; 17. The New Universities; 18. Memo to the Endeley Commission; 19. Where We Went Wrong; 20. Gobata on Gobata; 21. From "'La Democratie'" to Democracy; 22. Nigeria-Cameroon: No Problem?; 23. Anti-Democracy

Fails in Russia, Succeeds in Cameroon; 24. To Hell with Culture; 25. What Will He Say at Limbe and Bamenda; 26. Me Voici A Douala; 27. A Basket Full Of...Promises; 28. The Does of Africa; 29. The Exorcist; 30. Beyond Elitism (Including a Reply to Tande Dibussi); 31. Professor Obenson Was Right 32. From the Fruits We Shall Know; 33. Democracy, Kakistocracy and Meritocracy; 34. The Pre-Conditions of Meritocracy; 35. Meritocracy Continued; 36. The Panel Beaters of the Biya Regime; 37. Blueprint for University Studies; 38. Blueprint for University Studies (2); 39. Biya Plays His Last Joker; 40. Our Beautiful Ones Are Not Yet Born; 41. Basically a Fraudulent Victory; 42. Shall They Make or Mar?; 43. Two Types of Cameroonians; 44. The Missing Links in Nfor Gwei's Programmes; 45. The Anglophone Problem; 46. A Ceremonial P.M. As We Totter Along 47. This Celebration Mania 8. We Will Dedicate a Toilet to His Memory; 49. Misconceptions of Federalism; 50. CAMBANK Is Still Owing Me; 51. Albert Mukong, Federalism and the SDF; 52. Solomon Nfor Gwei's Tribulations; 53. Wanyetoh Resurfaces; 54. Mbella Was Right and Wrong; 55. Cherchez Le Mot (For My Censors); 56. From Extreme to Extreme; 57. A Tale of Three Parliamentarians; 58. Of the General Born on Banana Leaves 55 Years Ago; 59. Meditation on Death; 60. Keeping Yaounde Clean; 61. Matters Arising From the CELLUCAM Affair 62. Government by Trial and Error, Bribery, Corruption and Manipulation 63. Critical Moment of Decision; 64. How the Opposition Can Proceed; 65. Very Fraudulent Procedures; 66. Ben Muna's Abortive Bid; 67. The Comedians on Our Political Stage; 68. As the Countdown to Zero Hour Begins; 69. God Has Not Yet Cast His Own Vote; 70. Under the Magnetic Spell of the Bookseller; 71. Let's All Avoid Mass Hysteria and Do It Again; 72. Remember Nelson; 73. There Can Never Be Peace without Justice; 74. What of Our So-Called Human Rights Commission?; 75. The Pre-Conditions of Reconciliatory Dialogue 76. Punishing the Innocent, Rewarding Criminals

Sommario/riassunto

No Trifling Matter is a collection of controversial, critical weekly commentary on the reluctance of a monolithic regime to yield to popular aspirations for democracy in Cameroon. In these essays written between 1990 and November 1992, Godfrey Tangwa, alias Rotcod Gobata, doesn't quibble. He comes across as a man of courage and resolve; one ready to swim upstream in a manner of a desperate midwife eager to prevent a still birth (in this case, of democracy). His column is as daring an embarrassment to Biya's idEmocratie avancEei as the radio programme iCameroon Reporti (later iCameroon Callingi