Free group of Hamel bijections

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Indeed, if it was not, some function would have two representations that do not reduce. Composing the function with its inverse would lead to a nontrivial representation of the identity function, a contradiction.

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At the end we let $_{\kappa+1}f_{\beta}$ be the extended version of $_{\kappa}f_{\beta}$ or $_{\kappa+1}f_{\beta}=_{\kappa}f_{\beta}$ if it was not changed in parts I-III.

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Does there exists a free group of Hamel bijections with c^+ generators?

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