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PRESS RELEASE

Denouncing the Worsening Human Right Violation in Ethiopia

We, Oromo Canadians, are here today to peacefully protest the ongoing genocide, extrajudicial killings, using rape and starvation as weapons of war, and burning homes and entire villages being perpetrated against unarmed Oromo people in Ethiopia.

We believe it's essential to expose the fact that since Abiy Ahmed came to power, state terrorism against Oromo civilians has been raging at an alarming rate, hidden in the shadow of the war in the other parts of the country (Ethiopia) as well as the Ukraine-Russia war and Sudan's internal war, and Israel-Palestine war. While the world is focused on these alarming wars, the Ethiopian government has turned its military might on Oromia by intensifying and waging a genocidal war and ethnic cleansing against Oromos. A continuous war has been waged against Oromia since 2018 including Wollega (4 zones), Guji (Both Zones), Borana and later intensified to Central Oromia (3 zones of Shawa), East Oromia, South East Oromia and all other parts of Oromia hitherto.

Abiy Ahmed's government, in cahoots with Oromia and Amhara regional governments, carries out this savage and barbaric crimes against humanity. Since Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed came to power mass killings, looting and destruction of homes, properties, productive capacity, and livelihoods of Oromo civilians by Fano and other neighborhood expansionist groups, with tacit approval of the Federal, Oromia, Amhara and some other neighborhood regional state governments continues unabated in Wallagga, North Shawa East Shawa (Karrayyu), East Hararge, Borana (Moyale), Dire Dawa, Bale, and Oromia Special Zone (Walloo) in Amhara region and other parts of Oromia. On regular basis, the neighborhood states forces and other government sponsored hidden forces cross into these zones and savagely kill and mutilate bodies, burn entire villages and harvests, loot farm animals and equipment and displaced close to over a million people. While these savage forces indiscriminately massacre innocent Oromo civilians on the ground, the government of Abiy Ahmed also uses its military force and drone to kill them on top without mercy.

Therefore, we call upon the Oromo people to stand in unity and protect themselves by all necessary means against all acts of state-sponsored terrorist groups, including the

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notorious Ethiopian National Defense Force, Oromia Regional Forces, Government Sponsored Amhara Fano group in Oromia, Amhara paramilitary forces, Somali Region special forces (in East Hararge and Moyale, Oromia) and other regional governments forces.

Further, we call upon the international community and neighbouring countries to stand with the Oromo people and provide humanitarian assistance to the victims of this savage war.

Finally, we strongly urge the international community including the Canadian government to use all the tools at its disposal to exert maximum pressure upon the Ethiopian government to stop these crimes, atrocities and war and seek a peaceful resolution to the war and gross human rights violation in Oromia.

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