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**Transitional Coordinating Leadership (TCL)**

**PRESS STATEMENT**

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**FORMATION OF NEW BROAD-BASED POLITICAL  
ORGANIZATION**

*THE FOUNDING CONGRESS*

The Transitional Coordinating Leadership (TCL) would like to inform the Eritrean Public that the founding congress of the new broad-based national organization, whose founding members are individual members of the three above mentioned organizations will take place between 23 -24 August 2019 in Frankfurt, Germany.

The idea of convening a founding congress to launch the new organization followed the historic decision by members of the three organizations to dissolve their respective organizations and form a single broad-based national organization. This decision reflected the consensus reached among members and a strong belief that establishing such a robust organization with a clear national agenda would play a significant positive role in strengthening the on-going struggle of the Eritrean people to end the 28 year old tyrannical rule in our country and to erect a constitutional and democratic form of government in its place. The decision is also the culmination of several months of closed-

door discussions and dialogue among the leaders of three organisations which eventually led the leaders of the three organizations to agree on presenting the proposal to their respective individual members for a final decision.

In order to facilitate the smooth process of the dissolution of the three organizations and to lay the foundation of the new organization, a number of committees, including a transitional coordinating leadership, the Joint Technical Committee, Documentation Committee, and Nomination Committee tasked with the preparation process of the Founding Congress were formed.

Since their formation, these committees have been working hard and closely coordinating their activities. As a result of their joint endeavour, the groundwork necessary for the convening of the founding congress and the launching of the new organization has been successfully completed.

During the three days, participants of the founding congress will discuss, amend, and ratify the draft documents of the new organization and democratically elect the new organization's leadership.

We strongly believe that the unity of purpose among pro-democracy forces is the only way forward, and as such, the new organization would work and join hands with all Eritreans inside Eritrea as well as the diaspora.

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Victory to the Eritrean people!!