Press Release on EDP and ELF-RC Leadership Meeting in Frankfurt, Germany 16.03.2008

The leaderships of ELF-Revolutionary Council (ELF-RC) and the Eritrean Democratic Party (EDP) held a bilateral meeting on 15-16 March 2008 in Frankfurt with the objective of upgrading their existing relations and chart out joint work plan.

The meeting reviewed past relations, thoroughly scrutinized and studied any possible points of convergence and/or divergence between EDP and ELF-RC. The meeting reached the conclusion that, in spite of some differences of policy, the two sides have very close strategic visions in their respective programmes. Likewise, the meeting adopted a carefully designed joint work-plan that aims to develop the relations into eventual integration of the signatory parties.

On this basis, the ELF-RC and EDP leaderships adopted relationship guidelines and formed a joint body entrusted with the implementation tasks for Phase-One.

The Joint Committee shall use the points of agreement reached between the two sides in its work among members of the two organizations and the general public.

Furthermore, the meeting of the EDP/ELF-RC leaderships reaffirmed the determination of the two sides to work tirelessly towards strengthening the Eritrean opposition camp of which they are integral members.

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