

STATEMENT ON THE ONGOING WAR IN ETHIOPIA

Sinit Movement calls on the Federal Government of Ethiopia, Tigray regional government to stop hostilities in the region and seek peaceful resolutions for the conflict.

Political differences demand political solutions not armed hostilities whose consequences can have devastating political, economic, and social impact on innocent people. Engaging in dialogue brings about lasting and effective solution. It is high time that leaders of the Horn of Africa focus and work on the healing of the social relationships of their people by engaging in dialogue. In this era of technology and development, it should be clear to the leaders in this region that dialogue and not arms settle political differences and disputes.

Failure to stop this war will only bring more deaths, trauma and poverty which will have long-lasting impact on the security of a region that is already suffering from the impact of last armed conflicts and inefficient governance.

We call on the African union, IGAD, United Nations to put pressure on all involved hostile parties to immediate cease fire and come to the negotiating table before more lives are lost in this senseless war. It is the duty of the international community to protect human rights of the innocent and stop violence from becoming international war with unimaginable consequences.

We also call on all Ethiopian people to refrain from inflammatory rhetoric; we call upon all communities who have gone through a lot of violence in the past and are still experiencing it now to advocate and proactive push for peace through for negotiations as there will be no winner in armed violence.

We call on all Eritrean to unite in condemning the involvement of the Eritrean government in the domestic affairs of Ethiopia. As we all know too well the consequences of repeated wars and conflicts have torn our country. We are living experienced witnesses of how violence opens the door to devastating economic, social and psychological trauma. Moreover, we Eritreans have more pressing issues of our own. Sinit Movement believes that we need to strive for sustainable peace, justice and good governance as well as good neighbourliness.

We call on all civic and professional organisations to carry out their rightful duties and use their leverage to persuade the parties involved to cease fire and protect civilians.

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