



## Statement for the 27th Anniversary Celebration of Democratic Movement for the Liberation of Eritrean Kunama (DMLEK)

The Eritrean Kunama people were struggled for their survival since the EPLF/PFDJ government of Eritrea came to power. The PFDJ regime has snatched the Kunama land, imprisoned and killed them arbitrarily, degrading and destroying their languages and cultural values, and tries to eradicate the society by committing ethnic cleansing crimes. In order to save these suffered kunama people, the brave sons of kunama people had started their struggle by launching the political organization, the Democratic Movement for the Liberation of Eritrean Kunama (DMLEK) on the 1st April, 1995. Today is the 27th anniversary celebration of the birth of DMLEK after the organization had survived from the serious attacks in Tigray war last year by PFDJ regime. It is obvious that the Eritrean government wants to eradicate the DMLEK, so that he can own the kunama land without any resistant in which his plans and dreams had failed. DMLEK is grateful to the kunama people as a whole and particularly its members who stood with their organization helping to continue its struggle.

The PFDJ regime of Eritrean government has turned from humanistic to animalistic mind set. It had aligned with the Ethiopian government who seeks to take its ports, and has committed genocidal crime against Tigray people. In general, it has committed humanitarian crimes, war crimes, and destabilizing peace in the region and the world as a whole. This un just war against the Tigray government and its people is unacceptable. Therefore, DMLEK condemns these brutal acts of the regime, and stands with the Tigray people and struggles to bring peace and justice which is imminent. DMLEK also urges all kunama people and the freedom fighters of DMLEK to understand that this PFDJ regime cannot quit its brutal acts while you are asking for your right. Therefore, level up your unity, and sharpen your struggle capacity and political consciousness in order to defend and throw the regime away from the Eritrean territories.

The PFDJ regime had turned the Eritrean land as open prison in which the citizens became prisoners without exception. The Eritrean peoples have to know that peace, justice, security, and any kind of right can be realized only after the current Eritrean government is eliminated. Therefore, DMLEK urges to struggle in unison in order to eliminate this brutal regime. At the same time the Eritrean opposition political organizations have to know that it is their responsibility to organize their peoples to struggle for their rights.

Finally, Democratic Movement for the Liberation of Eritrean Kunama; DMLEK and the kunama people are thankful to the justice seekers and friendly political organizations, governments and individuals who support us in our struggle for the survival of kunama people.

Our struggle shall continue till the right and equality of kunama people is realized!!

Eternal respect to our martyrs!!

The principles of DMLEK shall flourish forever!!

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