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Appeal for Peace in Ethiopia!

On November 04, 2020, a military conflict erupted between the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Ethiopia on one side and the Tigray Regional Government and its militia on the other. Rising tensions between the two started brewing after the June 2020 scheduled Election that was delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The long simmering conflict and tensions have boiled over in the region at an alarming speed causing a devastating instability and casualties in the Regions.

Because of this conflict, so far, State of Emergency had been declared, electricity, internet, and telephone networks had been shut down in the region. The conflict has already spilled over Ethiopia's borders, and thousands of civilians have fled, and still fleeing the fighting into neighboring Sudan. Furthermore, thousands are internally displaced within Tigray region.

Largely due to media blockage and particularly in absence of independent media, very little credible information is available, therefore the extent of the devastation could not be independently verified. There is no doubt if no humanitarian assistance reaches on time, the region will inevitably face a deepening humanitarian crisis.

Making every effort to bring an overall national peace and security should be a priority of the Ethiopian government as slippages in peace and security will have detrimental effects on the country. There is no doubt that Ethiopia needs a comprehensive peace-building strategy. We believe that all forms of armed conflict have devastating consequences on the country's Political, Economical, Social stability and most devastating to the loss of human lives.

The achievement of peace and stability saves valuable lives, maintaining the current federal arrangement and Constitution is not only important for peace and stability of Ethiopia but is also a paramount importance for the Horn of Africa.

Therefore, HAJE calls upon the International Communities to persuade both parties for immediate ceasefire and begin to negotiate and commit to organize rapid and efficient delivery of humanitarian assistance for those affected by the conflict.

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