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ETHIOPIAN MUSLIMS IN GRAVE DANGER !
(STOP THE KILL, TORTURE AND REPRESS POLICY IN ETHIOPIA)

More than 25 peacefully demonstrating Ethiopian Muslims (including one baby at least) butchered by the Federal police, hundreds wounded and more than a thousand rounded up. Come Eid, today, hundreds were beaten in Addis Abeba and prevented from prayers and peaceful protest. For more than a year Ethiopian Muslims have staged a heroic and commendable protest action opposing the Meles regime's gross and illegal interference in their religious affairs. Thousands have been rounded up, dozens have been accused as terrorists, hundreds tortured and a vast and insidious campaign trying to link the protest to extremism launched. It should be noted also that the protest movement has been ignored by the Western media of those governments allied to the repressive regime in Addis Abeba.

The Addis Abeba authoritarian regime is violating the rights of most Ethiopians and has received little or no meaningful disapproval from the Western governments that consider it as a valuable ally in the so called war on terror. Ethiopian Muslims have persisted in their protest because they have suffered injustice. The power holders have time and again tried to impose their totalitarian control over the Muslim bodies and institutions. Peaceful protest was met with violent repression and the campaign to present the protest as Islam extremism and even Al Qaida related. The attempt to divide Muslims and Christians has also been helped, wittingly and otherwise, by hardline mostly exiled religious and ethnic fanatics who preach hatred while the protesters uphold Ethiopian unity, tolerance and aspirations for democracy.

The EPRP, a multi ethnic and democratic organization that has been and is ruthlessly repressed by the ruling Tigrean front, vigorously condemns the ongoing murderous repression against Ethiopian Muslims. The EPRP also expresses its indignation at the allies

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of the regime who want to marginalize the popular protest to benefit their puppet. The EPRP calls in earnest all Ethiopians, inside the country or abroad, to unite and struggle along our Muslim brothers and sisters for a democratic Ethiopia.

Support the struggle of Ethiopian Muslims!

Condemn the repression against Ethiopians!

Let us unite for the democratic struggle!

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