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It is both an honor and a duty to address this forum on behalf of The Ethiopian World Federation, Incorporated, established in 1937 as an African American Intergovernmental organization recognized by the League of Nations.

In 2025, it is disgraceful that neither the UN nor the AU have effectively addressed the inhumane conditions faced by children in the Congo or brought justice to the many victims of rape, abuse, and exploitation across Africa—at the hands of UN peacekeepers.

The UN has claimed to fight world hunger since 1961, yet continues to feed Africans non-indigenous food and makes empty promises to over 13 million refugees about land and housing—offering 500 square feet and a cardboard box. Meanwhile, the pause in USAID funding has left millions without food, healthcare, or infrastructure, and there is still no coordinated response from the global institutions supposedly built to protect human rights.

We call upon ECOWAS, CARICOM, and the African Union to do more than issue statements. Produce solutions, set deadlines and hold your members accountable. Silence in the face of despair undermines your credibility and makes the institutions you represent appear complicit—or worse, fraudulent.

No one has the right to represent African Americans in reparations discussions unless grassroots organizations are directly engaged and authorized to lead national mobilization efforts. Anything less is a betrayal of those you claim to serve.

Over 3,700 languages spoken across Africa, yet too many critical dialogues exclude full linguistic representation. Portuguese-speaking Africans are frequently left out of major policy conversations. This exclusion must end.

In terms of technology, the EWF owns **AfricanIntelligence.org** and welcomes collaboration with this forum to ensure that African people are not only included but lead in shaping the global digital future.

The failures of the UN and AU are not just institutional—they are moral. Until these systems are reformed and real accountability is enforced, they cannot demand our loyalty or trust.

We appreciate your manufactured commitment to the mothers and fathers of civilization—but without real apologies and immediate, practical solutions, your efforts will continue to fall on deaf ears.

Let us remember these timeless words:

**"It is us today. It will be you tomorrow."**

Thank you.

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