



OFFICIAL COMMUNITY RELEASE on SHASHEMANE

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To the Global Community, Members, Supporters and Stakeholders,

The Ethiopian World Federation, Incorporated (EWF) issues this formal public notice to address urgent matters concerning the integrity, governance and protection of our Historic Land Grant in Shashemane, Ethiopia, as well as the broader mission and legal standing of our organization.

Over recent years, there has been a significant increase in individuals expressing a willingness to support and contribute to the community. However, many of these individuals have been denied legitimate Federation membership, while unauthorized persons have misrepresented both the Historical significance and importance of Foundational Black Americans being given this land grant in our succession to protect and militarily support Ethiopians in securing the very sovereignty that they have today. Many that have settled on the land grant have attempted to undermine and diminish the importance of the governing principles of the EWF, a quality that most Ethiopians do not respect. We promote Ethiopian culture to be one of Historical facts & keepers of the truth.

We must formally clarify the following:

1. **False Representation and Misconduct**

There have been repeated instances of:

- Misrepresentation of the Historical Foundation and legal status of the Land Grant
- Distortion of the aims and objectives of the EWF
- Unauthorized claims of affiliation with international bodies, including the African Union and the concept of the “6th Region”
- Criminal acts and misconduct directed toward foreign visitors to the Land Grant

2. These actions undermine the safety, trust, and international credibility of the Federation and **may constitute violations** under applicable **U.S. legal frameworks addressing American property interests abroad.**

3. **Breakdown in Communication and Oversight**

The Rastafari community associated with the Land Grant has, in many instances, failed to maintain consistent and effective communication with EWF Headquarters. This breakdown has impaired our ability to:

- Monitor on-the-ground activities
- Ensure compliance with Federation governance
- Protect the safety and well-being of visitors and members

4. **Deviation from Foundational Mission**

The EWF was established to uplift Ethiopia through education, training and structured development led by qualified professionals. Current conditions reflect:

- A departure from these core values
- The onboarding of unverifiable, unauthorized individuals and sometimes criminals
- A lack of adherence to established constitutional and organizational standards

5. **Federal Legal Context – H.R. 7084 (119th Congress, 2026)**

The EWF formally places the community on notice that its actions are being evaluated in alignment with **H.R. 7084, the “Defending American Property Abroad Act of 2026.”**

This federal legislative framework is designed to:

- Protect American-owned or affiliated property interests abroad from unlawful expropriation or misuse
- Establish mechanisms for enforcement, review, and potential penalties where such property is misrepresented, mismanaged, or unlawfully controlled
- Reinforce accountability where U.S.-recognized entities are deprived of lawful governance authority

6. Any actions that contribute to the misrepresentation, unlawful occupation, or expropriation of the EWF Land Grant may fall within the scope of this Act and expose responsible parties to legal consequences under U.S. jurisdiction.

7. Legal Standing and Enforcement Authority

The International Executive Council affirms its authority to act in accordance with:

- The EWF Constitution and By-Laws
- Principles of customary and international law
- The 1951 U.S.–Ethiopia Treaty framework under which the Federation was established

8. These instruments collectively affirm the Federation’s standing and its obligation to protect its assets, members, and mission.

9. Reassertion of Control and Protection Measures

After five years of due diligence, the Federation has finally identified trustworthy representation within the region capable of supporting enforcement aligned with both international legal standards and U.S. statutory protections, including those contemplated under **H.R. 7084**.

This marks a critical step toward:

- Re-establishing lawful governance
- Protecting rightful ownership interests
- Ensuring the safety and proper administration of the Land Grant

The Ethiopian World Federation, Incorporated Executive Council of Harlem, New York reaffirms its historic role in supporting Ethiopia’s sovereignty and remains committed to upholding that legacy through disciplined governance and legal accountability.

We call upon all members, supporters, and affiliates to align strictly with the directives of the International Executive Council and to disengage from unauthorized individuals or entities falsely claiming representation of the Federation.

Further directives will follow as enforcement actions and legal reviews proceed.

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