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ATTENTION:

THE RT HON DAVID LAMMY

MP Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs

Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office

King Charles Street,

London, SW1A 2AH

SUBJECT: Ongoing Amhara Crisis, Exposure of Deceptive "National Dialogue," and Misuse of Donor Funds

Dear Foreign Secretary,

London Fano CIC extends its appreciation for the FCDO's prior recognition of the profound human rights and humanitarian impacts of the conflict in the Amhara region. As we assemble today's peaceful demonstration, we write to bring urgent attention to a catastrophic escalation on the ground and a severe deception being perpetrated on the international community.

The Reality of the "National Dialogue" Deception

We urge HMG and international donors to recognize that the process orchestrated under the banner of the National Dialogue Commission is a complete farce. Far from being an inclusive mechanism for peace, it is used by the regime to confuse international observers, create a false narrative of political progress, and secure international legitimacy and funding.

Crucially, donor funds and international aid intended for peacebuilding, economic stabilization, and humanitarian assistance are being redirected or leveraged by the Ethiopian government to finance its military campaign. Instead of fostering peace, state resources and misallocated funds are buying **military drones, arms, and heavy weaponry** used to bomb civilian infrastructure, schools, and hospitals across the Amhara region.

Weaponized Starvation and Drone Atrocities

- **Humanitarian Blockades:** Federal forces maintain a de facto blockade on the Amhara region, weaponizing starvation against millions while blocking aid corridors.
- **UAV Warfare:** Unmanned aerial vehicles continue to be deployed against non-combatants, markets, and civilian centers under the pretext of "law enforcement".
- **Political Suppression:** Genuine leaders, intellectuals, and human rights defenders remain in arbitrary detention, exposing the complete exclusion of the Amhara people from any legitimate political process.

Our Urgent Requests to the FCDO:

1. **Expose and Reject Fake Peace Mechanisms:** Re-evaluate UK diplomatic and financial support for the National Dialogue Commission, recognizing it as an instrument used to mask human rights atrocities.
2. **Audit Aid and Financial Engagement:** Conduct an immediate review of foreign aid and international financial allocations to ensure British donor money does not indirectly finance weapons acquisitions or military logistics.
3. **UN Investigation on Drone Crimes:** Lead an international initiative for a formal UN-mandated investigation into drone strikes and war crimes in Amhara.
4. **Targeted Arms and Arms-Tech Embargo:** Enforce a strict embargo on technical, financial, or security assistance that supports the Ethiopian government's internal surveillance and drone operations.

Thank you for your time and diligent consideration of this critical matter.

Sincerely,



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