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STATEMENT OF THE UNION OF OROMO CANADIAN COMMUNITIES IN CANADA (UOCC) IN SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA'S ACTIONS TO END THE BRUTAL, SAVAGE, CRIMINAL AND INHUMANE BEHAVIOUR OF THE ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT TOWARDS ITS OWN CITIZENS.

We, the Union of Oromo Canadian Community Association in Canada dedicated to the promotion of universal human rights and the rule of law, write to voice our full and unequivocal support for the Government of the United States of America for its recent [statement](#) concerning the egregious and appalling human rights violations unfolding in Ethiopia, perpetrated by the authoritarian regime of Abiy Ahmed.

We urge all freedom-loving nations to support the policy and the United States' decision ***“to secure a ceasefire, end this brutal conflict, provide the life-saving assistance that is so urgently needed, and hold those responsible for human rights abuses and violations accountable.”***

Sadly, instead of establishing grounds for an all-inclusive national dialogue and peace and security, the Ethiopian regime has chosen the path of more civil war by implementing state terrorism. It has designated what it branded as OLF-Shane and TPLF as terrorist organizations to legitimize its ongoing state terrorism. The out-of-control human rights violations such as the extrajudicial killing of a teenager in a downtown location in Mendi, Dembi Dollo, West Oromia, and the public beating of his old mother, is further tearing apart the country's social fabric and plunging the country into a deepening political, economic, social, and humanitarian crisis.

Additionally, Ethiopian senior government officials and their supporters in diasporas have started an ugly anti-USA [campaign](#) - “a day of rage” - to show their wrath against the U.S. Government for its concern regarding the deteriorating peace and security, and human rights violations in Ethiopia. This campaign is coordinated to take place both in Ethiopia and abroad, which includes the burning of the American flag.

UOCC denounces such lawlessness and state-sanctioned terrorism and calls on the international community to act before the country further descends into chaos. The so-called “day of rage” is a campaign supporting Ethiopia's atrocities against defenceless women and children and innocent civilians.

We applaud the United States Government for its demonstrated commitment toward achieving peace and security in the Horn of Africa in general and Ethiopia in particular. Hence, ending the war in Tigray and Oromia, removing the cruel Eritrean and Amhara Forces from Tigray, checking the spread of this country-wide violence, and releasing all political prisoners is the right call peace-loving countries, including Canada, has to join.

UOCC believes that establishing an independent commission by a credible international organ to investigate human rights violations is essential. Equally, establishing an all-inclusive dialogue among all nations of Ethiopia is essential, not the exclusionary fake election planned to coronate Abiy Ahmed, the primary architect of this manufactured misery. This, is the only way to redeem Ethiopia.

We enthusiastically applaud the US Government and categorically denounce the Abiy Ahmed supporters. We appeal to our Canadian Prime Minister to take a clear stand against this humanitarian crisis engulfing the Horn of Africa as a result of this unfolding humanitarian crisis.