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Dear proponents of Human Right Protection/the voice of the voiceless,

Preamble

The human rights journey from standard-setting to effective implementation depends, in large measure, on the availability of appropriate tools for policy formulation and evaluation. Indicators, both quantitative and qualitative, are one such essential tool. Though the ethnically structured government claims his policies are the apical buds of the renewed-TPLF regime, voices from civil society have been painting a different picture, and reporting on exclusion, the marginalization of communities, discrimination, mass murder, genocide, absence of participation, censorship, political repression or lack of an independent judiciary and denial of basic economic and social rights.

Popular uprisings and demonstrations in other parts of the world, including in relatively well-off countries, remind us of the necessity to place the **human being at the center of our development policy and to adjust our analytical lens accordingly.** They compel us to review existing analytical, methodological and legal frameworks to ensure that they integrate real attention to freedom from fear and want, and to discrimination; assess the extent of public participation in development and in the fair distribution of its benefits; strengthen accountability and embrace methods empowering people, especially the most vulnerable and the most marginalized. Policy management, human rights and statistical systems are closely interrelated and thus need to be in tune with each other for promoting the well-being of people. Devising a policy or statistical indicator is not a norm or value-neutral exercise. Yet, integrating human rights in these processes is not only a normative imperative, it also makes good practical sense. Failing to do so can have real consequences: **the current unheard and untold prima facie evidence of internal displacement, mass murder or genocide in Ethiopia.**

Thus, the primary objective here is to highlight the human rights norms and principles, spell out the essential attributes of the rights enshrined in international instruments and translate this narrative into contextually relevant indicators and benchmarks for implementing and measuring human rights at our country level. Is the basic human right like "**the right-to-life and dignity**" protected. FECIC commends the women and men, the countries, State agencies, regional and national human rights institutions, statistical offices, civil society organizations and United Nations entities that were engaged in and have contributed to making this pioneering work on human rights indicators a reality.

Dear Sir/Madam,

In a day and age where time is a precious commodity, it's important to find the right words to appreciate communities who take time from their busy lives to help support the fight against gross-human right violations and anti-Amhara genocide. To mention some of your genuine and

invincible supports you underwent, the 2022, "I Am Fanno" global movement public rally that ignited and raged our communities' internal dynamics to be the voice of the voiceless. Moreover, every citizen, inherently human, condemned and demonstrated the unwavering reaction against the atrocities in opposition to the Amhara, moderate Oromo, the Amaro tribe, Gurage's' all in the Oromia region in addition to the mass massacre against Gambela populations, the Afar war victims, and the millions of citizenries throughout Ethiopia. Your heartfelt empathy, which consolidated/reaffirmed our struggle to emancipate our beloved and innocent but beleaguered people, is one of the greatest human generosities in the civilized world that will bring justice and freedom for all. You empathizing commitment, if note the end, was the beginning of our unity against state-sponsored terrorist death squads -perpetrators of the now zenithal genocidal activity against the Amhara ethnic group

Thus, galvanized by your support and moved by the every-day mass massacre of our children, women and elderlies by Abiy Ahmed Finote-Ethiopian Information Center in Toronto (FECICT) or Finote support committee, has been exposing in writing these atrocities to International Human Right Organizations and NGOs for a long time.

Action required!!!

Though the committee had made some progress, it has yet to move forward in tandem with your help. Since the plights of the great peace-loving Amhara are monotonously increasing, we urge all of you to send messages to our Prime Minister and his Members of Parliament to support our cause at issue. To do so, we have organized letters of appeal/outcry to both the Prime Minster and his MPs. You job, as responsible citizen, is to disseminate these letters to your surrounding member of parliament either via email address or through mail. In order to send you these letters, referred to your MP, please, email us your postal code that depicts your full name as soon as possible. Please, also, as a reminder, let us know the data that verifies your effort.

Most importantly, as civilized human right activists and peace-loving Ethiopian community, we should never forget that behind every piece of statistical data are human beings who **were born free and equal in dignity and rights**. We must strive to make their human rights stories, especially those of the powerless and have no voice, visible through robust indicators and to use them in constantly improving the international human right instruments and implementation systems to bring structural change to people's lives.

With deepest gratitude for your commitment to serve, we thank you on behalf of FECICT and the victims of genocide we serve.

"Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In solidarity,

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