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Massacre of Peaceful Demonstrators- Perpetual Habit of TPLF Regime OLF Press Release

تاريخ

The level of repression and exploitation exacted by the successive regimes of Ethiopia on the subject peoples under their rule in general and the Oromo people in particular has been so unbearable that the people are in constant revolt. It has also been the case that, instead of providing peaceful resolution to a demand peacefully raised, the successive regimes have opted to violently suppress by daylight massacre, detention and torture, looting, evicting and forcing them to leave the country. Hundreds of students have been dismissed from their learning institutions. This revolt, spearheaded by the Oromo youth in general and the students in particular, has currently transformed into an Oromia wide total popular uprising.

The response of the regime has, however, remained the same except this time adding the fashionable camouflage pretext of terrorism and heightened intensity of the repression. This has been the case in *Ambo*, *Madda Walabou*, Dambi *Doolloo*, *Naqamte*, *Geedoo*, *Horroo Guduruu*, *Baalee* and *Ciroo* in Oromia; and *Maqalee* in *Tigray* as well *Gojjam* in *Amhara* region, by the direct order from the Tigray Peoples Liberation Front (TPLF) leaders in the last 22 years.

Tens of peaceful demonstrators, including children under the age of 10, have been massacred in *Ambo*, *Madda Walabou* yesterday April 30, 2014. Hand grenades have been deliberately thrown on student demonstrators in *Ambo* and *Haramaya* Universities causing several death and serious wounds. More have been detained. Indiscriminate severe beating, including elderly, women and children by Federal Police and militia, is widespread.

The OLF condemns the perpetration of these atrocities and holds, the Prime Minister of the regime, the army, federal police and security chiefs, directly responsible for these crimes selectively targeting the Oromo, who peacefully presented their legitimate demands.

The OLF renews its call on the Oromo nationals who are serving in the armed forces of this regime not only to refrain from partaking in this crime against their parents, siblings and children; but also to resist and stand in defense of their kin and kith and other civilians.

We call upon the Oromo people both inside and outside the country, to realize that we have been pushed to the limit. The only way out of this and to redeem the agony visited upon us for the past is to fight back in unison. We specially call upon you in the Diaspora to act on behalf of your brethren, who are under siege, and urge the nations who host you to discharge their responsibility as government and a community of human beings towards the long suffering Oromo and other peoples under the criminal TPLF regime.

We urge again and again that the international community, human rights and organizations and governments for democracy to use their influence and do all they can to stop the ongoing atrocity against the Oromo people. Failure to act immediately will be tantamount to condoning.

Victory to the Oromo People! Oromo Liberation Front May 01, 2014

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