

Resolution on the Shameful, Reckless and Unjust UN Sanctions against Eritrea

We, Eritreans residing in the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and adjacent areas, today January 31, 2010, in our public meeting and after hearing H.E. Ambassador Ghirmai Ghebremariam's briefing on the unjust and baseless, US instigated, UN Security Council Resolution that imposed sanctions on Eritrea, having heard from the representatives of different Eritrean organizations in our area and after having in depth discussions on the issue, have unanimously resolved the following:

1. We strongly condemn the baseless and unjust U.S. orchestrated UN Security Council Resolution 1907 (2009) of December 23, 2009 that has imposed sanctions against Eritrea and we call upon the UN Security Council to immediately repeal it and annul it. We also resolve to do whatever it takes to ensure the annulment and repeal of these unjust sanctions.
2. We call upon the UN Security Council, the US government, the European Union, the African Union as guarantors of the Algiers Peace Agreement as well as the international community, to shoulder its responsibility in ensuring that the Ethiopian government immediately vacate sovereign Eritrean territories it is occupying in breach of the final and binding delimitation and demarcation decisions of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission and to unconditionally implement the demarcation decision on the ground.
3. We call on the Obama Administration to stop its hostile treatment of Eritrea and to honor its campaign promises by working for constructive engagement with Eritrea to promote the long-term interests of the two peace loving peoples of the United States and Eritrea.
4. Realizing that the National Security and Sovereignty of Eritrea, one that was achieved through the priceless sacrifice of tens of thousands of its precious sons and daughters, is paramount, we resolve to do our utmost to safeguard it. We also resolve to defend it against all enemies who intend to sow seeds of discord among the people.
5. Praising the monumental development work the people and government of Eritrea are undertaking to ensure food security, equitable distribution of health services and education; we express our readiness to assist with everything that is expected of us.
6. We express our appreciation and support for the Eritrean Defense Forces that are vigilant in safeguarding Eritrea's sovereignty.
7. Praising the exemplary role that the government of Eritrea is playing to ensure peace in the Horn of Africa, we call upon all other peace loving governments to do likewise.

Eternal Glory to our Martyrs!

Wetru Awet n'Hafash !

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