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The Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council calls for calmness and de-escalation of the current situation in the Northern part of Ethiopia and urges for the peace making process to resume immediately

Addis Abeba, Ethiopia, August 25, 2022, The Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council (ECSOC) is deeply worried and saddened by the recurrence of armed conflict in the northern part of Ethiopia.

The armed conflict has brought unspeakable human suffering and enormous destruction of physical infrastructures.

The Council strongly urges and calls for calmness and de-escalation of the situation. Honoring the humanitarian truce is vital both for the supply of humanitarian aid and to pave the way for peacemaking efforts.

ECSOC also strongly underscores that disagreements of any sort should be addressed through political dialogue. To this end, the Council appeals for the peace process to resume immediately and for both sides to recommence the process in good faith to save the country and its citizens from another round of devastation.



Therefore, the Council calls upon the African Union to continue to play its role with the highest sense of urgency directly engaging the Federal government and the TPLF with the aim of reaching at a peace settlement being the priority.

ECSOC reiterates its readiness to support the peace process in any way deemed necessary.

About the Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council

The Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council is established in accordance with Article 85 of Proclamation No. 1113/2019 and is mandated by the FDRE Civil Society Organizations Authority to operate in Ethiopia on behalf of all recognized civil society organizations. Currently, nearly 4,000 civil society organizations are members of the council.

