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PRESS RELEASE

Press Statement

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia is dismayed by the statement of the International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia issued on 7 September 2022.

The Commission has no competence or proper appreciation of the conflict triggered by the TPLF in violation of the humanitarian truce. The Commission cannot arrogate to itself a mandate to pronounce on matters of threat to peace and security. The Commission's ultra vires and blatant call for action against Ethiopia by the Security Council only show the reckless behaviour of the Commission and vindicates the Government's assertion that the resolution establishing the Commission, and the works of the Commission are politically motivated. The Commission has weaponized human rights for political pressure and exposed its true intentions, foreclosing all doors of cooperation with the Government.

While rejecting the statement made by the Commission, the Ministry would like to reiterate the commitment of the Government of Ethiopia to continue respecting and ensuring respect for Human Rights and bringing violators to justice.

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