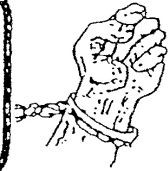




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STRONGLY CONDEMN THE REPRESSION
AGAINST MUSLIM ETHIOPIANS

The regime in Addis Abeba has intensified its repression against Ethiopian Muslims and the world should condemn it. Ten Muslim Ethiopian have been killed in Wello, dozens arrested all over the country and twenty nine Muslims charged as terrorists on the basis of the convenient anti terror law promulgated by the regime and used already to accuse and jail independent journalists.



Ethiopian Muslims have been protesting since January against the regime's interference in their religious affairs, its brazen measure to name its cadres and puppets as leaders of the Muslim Council and its decision to impose on Ethiopian Muslims an Islam sect from Lebanon. Their protest over the past months was peaceful and secular in content despite the regime's attempt to link the movement to extremists. The violent repression and the terrorist accusation is a travesty of justice, due process, the rule of law, and a

condemnable act. SOCEPP supports the struggle of Ethiopian Muslims for their basic rights and condemns the regime's repressive acts. SOCEPP calls on the immediate halt to the torture of the Muslim leaders and the immediate release of all the Ethiopian Muslims jailed because they demanded their rights.

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