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EPRP DENOUNCES THE JAMMING OF FINOTE RADIO

BY THE MEELS REGIME

The repressive regime of Meles Zenawi has continued to jam the Finote

Democracy radio broadcast to Ethiopia. The jamming is centered in and around

Addis Ababa while the radio continues to be heard, sometimes with difficulty, in

other parts. Finote Democracy had broadcast to Ethiopia for more than a decade

now.

The anti democratic regime of Meles Zenawi continues to violate with impunity

the right of the people to get information. It controls the media (TV and radio)

and jams independent radios like Finote. It has blocked access to many web sites.

It continues to insidiously practice censorship and has harassed and closed

independent newspapers. As its charade of a general election approaches (May

2010), the regime has further stepped up its repressive campaign against the

media. The jamming of Finote, with the help of China, is one such example.

The EPRP strongly condemns the jamming action undertaken by the Meles

regime against the Finote Democracy radio. The condemnation includes China

which has aided and abetted the regime in its jamming and web sites blocking.

The EPRP calls on international forces to raise their voices in condemnation of

jamming action taken against Finote Democracy radio.

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