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***Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party (EPRP)***

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**WE HONOUR AND CELEBRATE MAY DAY 2011**

May Day is observed by all peace loving people as a day of solidarity to workers' struggle for economic and political rights, for peace, for democracy and social justice and for a better world free from exploitation, repression, discrimination and persecution.

We celebrate May Day at a time when the global economy is in deep crisis, a crisis that has negatively affected the quality of life and economic well being of the working people of both developed and developing nations. Rising prices, unemployment, reductions in wages, pensions and other social benefits are wide spread. This appalling and grave global situation calls for persistent and united struggles of all working people of the world for better life, freedom and economic well being.

The May Day celebration of 2011 marks also the historic event of general uprisings of the working people, particularly of those in the Middle East and North Africa against long standing dictatorship, tyranny, repression and discrimination. While we congratulate our brothers in Tunisia and Egypt for their success in dethroning their respective dictators we extend our solidarity to the people of other countries in the region and declare that we stand by them in their relentless struggle to do away with the dictatorships once and for all.

The working people of Ethiopia have been under the yoke of dictatorship for the last twenty years. There is no freedom and democracy and the rights of the people have been severely curtailed. Thousands have been killed, imprisoned and put incommunicado during the last twenty years simply because they opposed the destructive policies of the regime. In addition to going through this physical repression and tyranny the working people of Ethiopia have been victims of the regime's exploitation and the global economic crisis. Inflation, unemployment, reduction of wages, absence of essential products, famine, poverty etc. have made them destitute and indigent. In order to reclaim their dignity and protect their political and economic freedoms the Ethiopian people have no option other than to dismantle the dictatorship through their arduous and relentless struggle. Being one arm of the people, the Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party (EPRP) has waged relentless struggle against successive dictators and has recently intensified its struggle against the regime in power.

In honoring and celebrating the May Day of 2011, the EPRP extends its solidarity to the working and peace-loving people of the world in support of their struggle for economic, political rights and freedom and calls upon them to wage a united struggle against dictatorship, exploitation and tyranny.

Long live May Day!

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