



## JUNE 1991—JUNE 2013: 22 YEARS OF DISAPPEARANCE

JUNE 1991-- the guerrilla forces of the TPLF— supported and backed by the Sudan among others - attacked the EPRP base areas in Gojjam and Gondar administrative regions, and some EPRP leaders and senior members fell into the hands of the Tigrean Front led by the late Meles Zenawi. These were captured in Sankisa (Quara) and other areas and all were taken primarily to Bahr Dar and jailed there before being transferred to Tigray, the home region of the front that is still in power in Addis Abeba.

These were:



Tsegaye Gebre Medhin (also known as Deberaw); Yoshak Debretsion (nicknamed Columbo); Sitotaw Hussein (aka Tadelle); Belete Amha (aka Gebre); Hagos Bezabih (aka Berhe); Teklai (Alula); Azanaw Demile (deported from the Sudan) ;etc and these were followed by others detained in Addis Abeba by 1993 ( Ms Aberash Berta (aka Meaza), Lemma Mekonen, Tesfaye Kebede (aka Abohaye); Wondu Sirak Desta, labor union leader Abebe Ainekuluand ohes from Gojjam, teacher Demisie Tesfaye, Eyob (from Gamo Goffa) and a few others, etc., and all of them are disappeared since. The regime in place has flatly refused to give any account for the disappearance

of the above who were in its custody. It claims no knowledge of them at all. The sad point is that most human organizations have ignored the plight of these disappeared and have unwittingly become unwittingly accessories to the regime in place (without forgetting SOCEPP Canada and Amnesty in Winnipeg who have done a lot to publicize on the fate of the disappeared).

The silence has to end the call for an account of the disappeared in Ethiopia has to be heard loud and clear. Most of the disappeared championed democracy for Ethiopia and her people. This was their one and only crime. So. We cannot condone their plight by keeping quiet. The regime in place has disappeared dozens othes without any sanction from its donors and backers. For how long this silence and looking away?

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