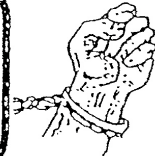




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THE DISAPPEARED OF BAHR DAR ARE NOT FORGOTTEN !

SOCEPP had in the past publicized the disappearance, since 1993, of trade union leader Abebe Ainekulu and Wonda Sirak Desta from Bahr Dar and journalist Berhanu Ijigu from Addis Abeba. All three were EPRP members and they have been, like almost all other EPRP detainees, disappeared since. It is important to note that Bekele Sharew who was taken in Yismala (Gojjam) and kept in solitary confinement in Addis Abeba died of the mistreatment he received in detention.

SOCEPP has now learnt that at the time of the disappearance of Abebe Ainekulu and others the following were also detained in Bahr Dar and have been disappeared ever since:

1. DILU GEBEYEHU
2. ABAYNEH SHIFERAW
3. GETACHEW ABEBE
4. GETACHEW WORKINEH

No alleged EPRP member detained by the regime in Addis Abeba has ever been brought before a court of law since 1991. All have been disappeared. It is to be remembered that Tsegaye Gebre Medhin (Debteraw), Sitotaw Hussein (Tadelle), Belete Amha (Gebre) and Yishak Debre Tsion (Abebe), all leadership members of the EPRP were kept in Bahr Dar jail before being taken to Tigray and declared disappeared.

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