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YEMEN : RELEASE ANDARGATCHEW TSIKE IMMEDIATELY !

Andargatchew Tsigie, the secretary general of the GINBOT 7 Movement, was transiting through Sana'a, Yemen, airport when he was apprehended by Yemeni immigration and security police and jailed incommunicado. Andargatchew has never done anything to Yemen's detriment.

On the other hand, Andargatchew had been sentenced to death in absentia by the tyrants in Addis Abeba for his political activity. He had been jailed before and was compelled to seek refuge in Britain and he is carrying a legitimate British passport. Apparently the warrant for his arrest has been handed to Yemen by the regime in Addis Abeba which is linked in a so called anti-terror pact with Yemen. The Ginbot 7 Movement had been conveniently labeled terrorist as one more example of the regime use of its anti-terror law that has practically defined political dissent as terrorism. If deported, and the regime in Addis Abeba is trying with fervor to realize it, Andargatchew will face a grave threat to his life and could very well be tortured, disappeared or killed. The detention of Andargatchew sets a dangerous precedence for all other opposition figures who may be accused by the regime in Addis Abeba and thereby intercepted when they travel. Yemen's act is illegal and condemnable as is the ongoing anti Ethiopian actions taken by it against refugees.

The EPRP strongly condemns the Yemeni authorities and demands the immediate release of Andargatchew Tsigie. EPRP also calls on Ethiopians everywhere to mobilize against the detention and the possible act of deportation. Much to the chagrin of the Yemeni and Addis Abeba regimes the struggle of the people for democracy cannot be stopped by taking such illegal actions that are internationally condemnable.

RELEASE ANDARGATCHEW TSIKE NOW !!

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