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**H.E. Mr. Robert Malley**  
**President and CEO, International Crisis Group**  
**Brussels**

**Excellency,**

The National Regional State of Tigray has looked into the International Crisis Group's recent report, entitled 'Toward an end to Ethiopia's Federal-Tigray feud' with keen interest. We appreciate your concerns about the fast deteriorating political and security situation in the country and the proposed ways out of this crisis. Your great effort to balance the competing versions of the reality is understandable. Like any balancing act, however, some facts may be blurred and truths a little twisted to accommodate competing narratives.

**Excellency,**

The downfall of the Dergue regime in 1991 heralded a new chapter in Ethiopian political history. In the first twenty seven years when EPRDF was at the helm of state power, Ethiopia made progress in addressing the age-old demands of its people for a just and democratic political system. EPRDF changed the organizing principles of the Ethiopian state in such a way that all Ethiopian nations and nationalities enjoy their inalienable right for self-determination and their equal right to participate in the central government. The constitution that was adapted in 1997 guaranteed the Ethiopian nations and nationalities their right of self-determination up to secession. Like any other solution for intractable political problems, it was not a perfect solution. But it was the only middle ground acceptable to the more than eighteen armed groups with a secessionist agenda and gave the Ethiopian state a second chance at

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