

National Flag – Day Celebrated in Washington DC

Hundreds of Ethiopian Diaspora residing in Washington DC and its environs celebrated, on October 29/2016, the National – Flag Day under the theme: *Our Flag is the Expression of Our Sovereignty and Emblem of Unity Founded on Our Diversity justice and equality.*



Pictures from the event

In his remarks during the occasion, Ambassador Girma Birru elaborated to the gathering the significance and meaning of the Tri – color to the people of Ethiopia and how the current generation should preserve and pay homage to this symbol of liberty, equality and nationalism. H.E. Ambassador Girma Birru also

presented a comprehensible synopsis of the struggle waged by previous generations to pass the legacy of freedom, heroism and patriotism as represented in the national emblem.

Explanation was also given by Mr. Reta Alemu, Deputy Head of the Mission, regarding the necessary conditions for declaring the State of Emergency in Ethiopia and the positive results it brought about in terms of stability and peace consolidation across the country.



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During the celebration, the participants raised a number of questions, including about the current state of affairs in Ethiopia and what exactly the government is doing to address the genuine concerns that the people are expressing. On his part, Ambassador Girma Birru responded to all questions that members of the Diaspora put forward and it was noticeable that the Q and A session was both constructive and candid.