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## Statement from the Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council

27 October 2022 Addis Ababa: The Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council (ECSOC) welcomes the commencement of the peace talks between the FDRE Government and the TPLF since 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 under the auspices of the African Union in Pretoria, South Africa.

The Council has high hopes that the negotiation will proceed in good faith and constructive spirit to find a durable peace settlement for the sake of all Ethiopians who continue to suffer enormously due to the armed conflict in Northern Ethiopia.



## About Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council

The Ethiopian Civil Society Organizations Council is established in accordance with Article 85 of Proclamation No. 1113/2019 and is mandated by the FDRE Civil Society Organizations Authority to operate in Ethiopia on behalf of all recognized civil society organizations. Currently, more than 3,700 civil society organizations are members of the council.